

## Furman University Study Away Program: Academic, Environmental, Physical & Health Expectations

Program: The Rhine: Life on the Line

Dates: May 11-June 1, 2022

\*Request accommodations through the Student Office for Accessibility Resources (SOAR)

Course Description: Exploration of the Upper Rhine Plain as a point of contact between civilizations. Study of the geographical, historical, commercial, political, and cultural specificities of the border area where, along the line of the Rhine river, today's France, Germany, and Switzerland meet.

Program Description: Join us as we explore the Upper Rhine Plain this May. One of Europe's most beautiful places, an historic interface of peoples, this area is a cradle of tolerance and civil society. We will begin with four preparatory days on campus, before flying to Europe. Our goals will be to capture the geographical, historical, commercial, political, and cultural specificities of the area as we travel in areas bordering the Rhine River. Site visits will take us through historic Mainz, Heidelberg, Strasbourg, and quaint villages of Alsace and the Black Forest.

	Frequency					
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS	Never	Seldom	Some-times	Often	Optional	Required
Course work in a foreign language					X	
Course work in English				X		X
Use of laptop				X	X	
Use of smart device					X	
Traditional Classroom		X				X
Indoor Course Work		X				X
Outdoor Course Work			X			X
Group Work			X			X
Presentations		X				X
Interactions with local residents			X			X
Field Work	X					
Internship	X					
Research	X					
Comments:						

	Frequency					
STUDY AWAY ENVIRONMENT	Never	Seldom	Some-times	Often	Always	
Foreign Language Environment					X	
Mountainous		X				
Tropical	X					
Desert	X					
Urban			X			
Rural		X				
High Elevation	X					
Dusty	X					
Air Pollution	X					
Recent Terrorism		X				
Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	X					
Earthquakes	X					
Other Natural Disaster	X					
Comments:						

	Frequency					
PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS	Never	Seldom	Some-times	Often	Daily	
Lifting luggage				X		
Carrying luggage up stairs				X		
Carrying equipment	X					
Carrying groceries	X					
Standing 30+ minutes						X
Walking 1+ miles						X
Hiking (easy)		X				
Hiking (strenuous)	X					
Sitting 5+ hours				X		
Use of public transport				X		
Flat terrain				X		
Hilly terrain				X		
Stairs						X
Comments:						

	Frequency					
HEALTH & DIET	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always	
Vegetarian Options				X		
Vegan Options		X				
Food Allergy Accommodations				X		
Group Meals			X			
Cooking for oneself	X					
Host family prepares meals	X					
Healthcare easily accessible						X
Comments: There may be a short host family stay - undecided at this point.						

	Frequency					
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS	Never	Seldom	Some-times	Often	Always	
Host Family	X					
Roommate					X	
Shared Apartment	X					
Dormitory	X					
Camping	X					
Hotel					X	
Cell phone signal available				X		
Internet signal available				X		
Comments: We will also stay in a youth hostel						

	Frequency					
WATER ACTIVITIES	Never	Seldom	Often	Required		
Swimming	X	X				
Snorkeling	X					
SCUBA	X					
Boating	X					
Rowing	X					
Comments:						

**Center for Disease Control and Prevention** recommends the following vaccine for some travelers: Hepatitis A.  
Protect yourself against bug bites as you would anywhere.

"For COVID-19 Information Visit: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list/> "

**NOTE: Proof of full vaccination for COVID-19 is required to participate on this program**