Global Research Practicums (GRPs) - Asia, Europe and South America

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The Global Research Practicum is a 3-credit MBA course in which students experience firsthand the business practices and culture of other world economic powers.

Global Energy, Eastern Europe 2016
Sofia, Bulgaria and Moscow, Russia
Professor Susan Hicks

Summer course with 3 Friday evening sessions in the spring semester. Includes a trip to Washington County, PA and a trip to Sofia, Bulgaria and Moscow, Russia from May 12-May 25
• UCIS course cross listed with Katz – 3 credits

Global Research Practicums (GRPs) - Spring courses - 3 Friday evening sessions prior to trip and final class following trip (date TBD) for Argentina and Europe. Final class for Asia is April 15.

GRP – Europe Munich, Germany and Prague, Czech Republic
• Professor Larry Feick
• Staff Chaperone: Liz Agey
Flights TBD – March 4-12

GRP Asia - Seoul, South Korea and Taipei, Taiwan
• Professor Jennifer Shang
• Staff Chaperone: Melissa Shapiro

Seoul/Taipei Flights

Saturday, April 30
Dep Pittsburgh United 6:15 a.m.
Arr San Fran 8:43 a.m.
Dep San Fran - United 10:25 a.m.

Sunday, May 1
Arrive Seoul 2:45 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10
Dep Taipei United 11:00 am
Arr San Fran 7:50 am
Dep San Fran - United 10:00 am
Arrive Chicago 4:14 pm
Dep Chicago 5:30 pm
Arrive Pittsburgh 8:01 pm
GRP – South America, Buenos Aires, Argentina

- Professor Josephine Olson
- Staff Chaperone: Sandra Douglas

**Buenos Aires Flights**

**Friday, March 4**
- Dep. Pittsburgh American 1594   3:20 p.m.
- Arr. Dallas              5:17 p.m.
- Dep. Dallas - American Airlines997   9:50 p.m.

**Saturday, March 5**
- Arrive Buenos Aires 11:16 a.m.

**Saturday, March 12**
- Dep. Buenos Aires American 996   8:20 p.m.

**Sunday, March 13**
- Arr. Dallas              5:18 a.m.
- Dep. Dallas – American1625  7:05 a.m.
- Arrive Pittsburgh        10:50 a.m.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

1) How much do the GRP Argentina, Asia, and Germany cost?
   - $ 5,300 for Katz PT & ‘Other’ Pitt grad school students, includes 3 credits
   - $ 2,300 for Katz FT students, using 3 credits from semester tuition.
   - The prices rise to $5,400 and $2,400 after Nov. 5.

2) If a FT Katz student wants to take the GRP in addition to their 15 or 18 credits, they will be charged
   - $ 5.300, which includes 3 credits.
   - The prices rise to $5,400 after Nov. 5.

3) How much does the Global Energy Eastern Europe cost?
   - $5,300 for PT and FT students plus international airfare - includes credits
   - The price rises to $5,400 after Nov. 5.
   - Land package and international airfare are included.

   **Land package includes:**
   - Ground transportation - including all bus and air transfers in country
   - Double occupancy hotel rooms
   - Single rooms are available with additional cost.
   - Breakfasts at hotel, a welcome and farewell dinner
- Tour guides
- Company and cultural visits

4) Can I make my own flight arrangements?
   Yes, you will be billed $1,200 less. Please let me know by Nov. 5 if you will fly on your own.

5) Do I need a visa for the trip?

   US citizens must pay a $160 reciprocity fee for Argentina. US citizens do not need a visa for S. Korea, Taiwan, Germany or Austria.

   International students should check the website of the country they will visit to see if they need a visa. You can also visit an agency like www.travisa.com to see whether you need a visa and to obtain one.

   Apply for a tourist visa.

6) What is the deadline to register?
   November 5 – GRP prices increase to $2,400 and $5,400 after Nov. 5.

7) How do I pay the balance?
   By regular payment to Student Payments Office

8) When is final payment due? Dec. 17.

9) Your advisor will register you for the GRPs.
   Spring: Asia, Europe and South America

   Summer: Russia/Bulgaria - You will work with Study Abroad to register for this course.

10) What companies and cultural sites will we visit?
    The itinerary is being developed and will be shared with you as it is being finalized.

11) Minimum number of students who must register in order for the course to happen?
    20 students per course for GRPs – Asia, Europe and South America
    15 students for Global Energy course

12) Maximum number of students for GRPs is 30. Maximum number of students for Global Energy course is 25.
    Courses are expected to fill and are on a first come first served basis. Register early for your 1st choice!

13) Can we select our roommates?
Yes. You can select a roommate after the first class so that you have a chance to meet your classmates. You can also purchase a single room supplement.

14) May I participate in more than one GRP? –Yes!

15) How do I apply?

**Apply at: abroad.pitt.edu/katzgrp**

Complete questionnaire including bio details, dietary restrictions and emergency contact info.

Upload copy of passport photo page.

Submit materials to Patricia Sabolsky or in lock box outside of MBA suite if I am out of the office.

Copy of passport photo page

International Educational Experience Agreement You DO NOT need to purchase health insurance since Katz purchases that on your behalf.

$500 Deposit - payable to the U of Pittsburgh – cashier's check or money order only

(Indicate which GRP in the memo line)

When your application is complete, we will process it in a batch on a weekly basis.

Questions re: GRPs Asia, Europe and South America  
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