

# **Boston University Study Abroad**



# GENEVA, SWITZERLAND > STUDY ABROAD

Geneva is a unique city; although situated in the French-speaking part of Switzerland, its population is one-third non-Swiss, making it one of Europe's most international metropolitan centers. The presence of the United Nations, the World Trade Organization, the International Red Cross, and more than 250 other international organizations lets us offer both coursework and internship placements in English, the common language of Geneva's multilingual and cosmopolitan community.

This program is designed for students specializing in international relations, public health, and other fields and will provide a unique opportunity to connect with and play a role in these global organizations through an in-depth professional internship and carefully focused coursework.

Upon successful completion of the program, students earn 16 Boston University credits.

# Geneva Internship Program

### **COURSES**

All courses are designed and approved by BU and are taught by local faculty. All instruction is in English, except for the French language classes. Excursions and other activities form part of the classes. For details, download the syllabi from the website. Each course carries four credits.

CAS AH 308 Caesar to Corbusier: The History of Switzerland through its Art and Architecture

CAS IR 444 The Activities of International Organizations

CAS IR 445 Introduction to Public International Law

CAS IR 446/PO 244 Small States and International Security

CAS FR 113 Beginning French I

CAS FR 213 Intermediate French I

CAS FR 313 Advanced French I

SPH PH 506 Principles of International Health

SPH PH 507 Controversies in International Health

CAS PO 243/IR 455 Internship in International Organizations

CAS PS 495 Internship in Health and Human Services

Most students will be placed in one of the many international political, health-related, economic, and humanitarian organizations headquartered in Geneva. A limited number of internships will also be available in the arts and arts administration, communications, and international business and finance departments within previously mentioned organizations. Internships will be available in both French and English.

# **HOUSING**

Students live in Boston University's residence hall in the center of Geneva. Students share double or triple rooms, each with a private bath, and kitchens on every floor. Rooms are completely furnished. Wireless Internet access is available throughout the building. A light breakfast is provided each weekday morning.

# **EXCURSIONS AND TRAVEL**

Past program excursions have included a trip to the Swiss capital, Bern; a boat trip on Lake Geneva; and visits to the spectacular town of Gruyeres and the magnificent lakeside castle of Chillon.

## PROGRAM DATES

Fall Semester: late August-mid-December Spring Semester: mid-January-late-April

### **ADMISSIONS**

- No prior language study is required, but a background in French is highly beneficial. Students who wish to participate in a French-based internship must demonstrate French language proficiency
- Due to the competitive nature of the internship placements in Geneva, priority will be given to qualified candidates who have also had relevantwork, internship, or volunteer experience

• Refer to our policy on eligibility/admissions at: www.bu.edu/abroad/admissions

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall Semester: March 15 Spring Semester: September 15

#### 2014/2015 PROGRAM COST

\$27,443 per semester. Cost includes tuition, housing, internship placement, round-trip airfare, field trips, emergency travel assistance, and overseas medical insurance. Financial Aid is available.