

SUMMER IN GERMANY

2016

This program, now in its eighth year, offers OU students the opportunity to study German language, culture and thought through both classroom and experiential learning. Professor Joseph Sullivan will teach MLLL 3823: German Culture and Thought, in Norman for two weeks immediately after the end of the spring semester. He will then be the on-site contact person in Germany during the first intensive German language course administered by the Herder Institute at the University of Leipzig, an OU partner institution.

In addition to intensive German language study, students will participate in cultural events and excursions. Upon completion of the first intensive language course, students will begin an excursion to other cities near Leipzig, during which time they will complete coursework for MLLL 3823 that they began in Norman.

The German section of Modern Languages at OU encourages all participants to consider remaining for the second session to continue improving their German language skills. During the second session, Herder Institute staff members supervise the students, with one person designated as the specific contact for the group.

The number of participants on this program is capped at 12 by the University of Leipzig's Herder Institute, but we have been able to request a few more places in recent years and are hoping for more spots again in 2016.

Students will enroll and pay summer term OU tuition and fees for MLLL 3823, a 3-credit class that fulfills the General Education Western Civilization requirement. This OU course is letter-graded and recorded on the student's permanent record in the usual way. Students who have already completed MLLL

3823 may enroll in three hours of GERM 3990 (Independent Study), but should not apply for the program without discussing this option with Professor Sullivan.

Students earn three hours of transfer credit per language session at the Herder Institute if they have satisfactory academic performance and do not have more than the allowed number of absences from classes. This transfer credit will not be factored into the participant's GPA, but will show on the official OU transcript. Students will be awarded credit equivalencies for the German language level appropriate to their program of study in Leipzig. It is the student's responsibility to determine if credits earned on study abroad fulfill any degree requirements at OU.

The credits earned at the Herder Institute are from an "Education Abroad Approved Program" or EAAP. OU students approved to participate on this program will receive an in-process transfer credit tag for the Herder Institute courses. That tag will be displayed on their oZone online transcripts (linked under the "Academic Profile" box displayed as part of the "Academics" tab.) A fee of \$10 per transfer credit hour will be charged to the student's bursar account.

Meeting with [Karen Elmore](#), Director of International Programs for Arts and Sciences, is a required part of the application process. Participants will be notified within two weeks of submitting a completed application online unless they are first-semester students. Those applicants can be provisionally accepted pending first semester grades.

Cospudener See near Leipzig

