The College of Health and Human Sciences (CHHS) has initiated a requirement for students to participate in an international experience prior to graduation. The goal of CHHS’s international experience requirement is to introduce students to international and intercultural perspectives in order to prepare them to live and work in an increasingly globalized world.

Studying abroad is a high-impact educational practice that has been shown to increase student success and employability after graduation. The CHHS International Experience is designed to provide high-quality global learning experiences that are flexible, affordable, and relevant to students’ degree programs and professional goals.

Have any questions or concerns? Email us:

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Germany

Germany is a western European country. The capital of Germany is Berlin. Germany is filled with forests, rivers, mountains and beaches. Popular things to do among visitors include visiting castles, trying beer, and many more cultural attractions.

German is the main language!

Many people may understand English, but it is best to take the time to learn basic phrases in German.

How to get around?

1. Train - Efficient, but expensive
2. Bus - Cheapest way
3. Ride-Sharing - Very common
4. Hitchhiking - Very safe, but not for everyone

What to wear?

People in Germany typically wear formal, but stylish clothing. Business and dark colored outfits are popular. Stylish shoes or sandals recommended, but not required.

What to eat?

Popular foods include Wurst which is German sausages, Eintopf, potato pancake and so much more.

Coffee and beer are popular beverages in Germany too!

Eating Etiquette

1. Hold the fork in your left hand, and the knife in your right hand
2. Do not start eating until the host says, "Guten Appetit."
3. Your hands should be visible above the table.
4. Tipping is appreciated, however, there is a law that 10-15% gratuity is added to your bill.