

## Program Description for Prospective Faculty

**Program:** GERMANY

**Approximate Program Dates:** Three weeks in Ma (Subject to change – final dates are set in August prior to the fall faculty orientation.)

**Program Focus:** This program is designed to provide students with a variety of courses while they experience German culture first hand. Course proposals are welcome from all academic fields, as long as they relate closely to Germany.

### **Program Description:**

Germany has long enchanted people from all over the world with images of snowcapped Alpine peaks, intellectual and artistic expression, and political and military prowess. It is the birthplace of hundreds of worldhistorical figures, including Albert Einstein, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, Immanuel Kant, Friedrich Nietzsche, Karl Marx, Ludwig van Beethoven, Johann Sebastian Bach, and Martin Luther. Today Germany is well known for its leading role in the European Union, its annual Oktoberfest celebration, and its accomplishments in the sport of “soccer” (“football” to non-Americans), as seen by its 2014 World Cup championship. The program will begin with eight days in Munich, Germany’s third-largest city and a focal point of some of the country’s most recognizable features, including its people’s attire (Lederhosen and Dirndls) and its food (Schnitzel and Wurst). As the capital of the southern German state of Bavaria, Munich offers a unique blend of history, art, music, architecture, and entertainment. While in Munich, the program will also include visits elsewhere in Bavaria to further explore Bavarian art, music, culture, and cuisine. The group will then travel by train for a four-day stay in Heidelberg, a breathtaking city located along the Neckar River in the southwest German state of Baden-Wurttemberg. Heidelberg is home to a prestigious university, a medieval castle, and an astonishingly diverse history and culture centered on the age of Romanticism. The group will then journey north for an eight-day stay in Berlin, Germany’s capital and largest city. Berlin offers visitors a fantastic juxtaposition of history and modernity. The city has stood at the center of German political, social, and economic transformation for several centuries, including the twentieth-century world wars and the Cold War. It was home to the infamous Berlin Wall from 1961 to 1989 (remnants of which can still be viewed) and currently houses more than one-hundred museums documenting Germany’s tumultuous and extraordinary history. Today Berlin is a thriving metropolis and a world leader in art, music, film, science, technology, and entertainment. In sum, excellent food, myriad of sights, and renowned society and culture welcome an international audience.

### **Responsibilities Prior to Departure:**

- Attend Faculty and Student Orientations
- Recruit
- Provide Syllabus

### **Responsibilities during the Program:**

- Teach Course
- Assist with Excursions
- Assist with Program Operations

### **Benefits:**

Taxable two thousand dollar honorarium (paid through your institution), individual single seat round trip airline ticket from Nashville, Tennessee, visitor’s visa, all ground transportation, housing, food, excursions including entry fees, and limited health insurance during the program abroad.

**Expenses not covered by TnCIS:**

Transportation to/from the airport, travel expenses to the faculty/student orientations, passport, full coverage health insurance, non-program sponsored excursions and entry fees, personal spending money.