The European Union (EU) is a major global trading power. With the introduction of the Euro and EU enlargement, key steps towards integration were taken to increase European prosperity and competitiveness. However, with the fragile economic recovery in the Euro-zone and the implications of Brexit, what is the future of the European economic experiment?

Maastricht gained international fame as the birthplace of the Euro, and is located between the major economic centres of Brussels, London, Frankfurt and Amsterdam, making it the ideal place for educating and training the global business leaders and economists of tomorrow.

**World-class business & economics school**
You will be directly enrolled at Maastricht University (UM) and take classes at the School of Business and Economics, which is accredited by the European EQUIS, the American AACSB and the prestigious AMBA, a standard that fewer than 1% of business schools have achieved. You can also choose courses from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and the Center for European Studies (CES).

**International summer internships**
Take your global experience to the next level with an international internship. CES partner with The Intern Group to provide you with the opportunity to arrange a business internship before or after studying abroad at UM.

**Introduction**
The two-week introduction offers a variety of academic and social activities. It includes CES services (such as airport pick up and local SIM cards), the Berlin Study Trip, a tour of Maastricht and the surrounding area, Maastricht University orientation, a Problem-Based Learning workshop, ‘Dealing with the Dutch’ lecture and integration into Dutch student life.

**Berlin Study Trip**
Your adventure begins with a four-day trip to Berlin which provides a vivid European context for your programme.

**Cultural Weekends**

**If it Ain’t Dutch it Ain’t Much**
Explore political and cultural highlights in The Hague; be immersed in Dutch culture at the open air museum Zaanse Schans and bond with the group over the creation of your very own Delft blue tile.

**A Taste of Paris**
Indulge in the city of light and its cuisine, experience the rich architectural and artistic beauty, and taste of one of the plethora of cultures which exist across Europe.
Programme dates
Spring 2019: 18 January - 8 June
Fall 2019: 16 August - 21 December
Spring 2020: 17 January - 7 June
If you have internship plans that require an early departure, CES will endeavour to help you select courses accordingly.

Programme structure
• 18-week semesters
• Block periods 1 and 2 in Fall; block periods 4 and 5 in Spring
• You will take two courses per block period, you can also add a language course or a skill
• You can earn between 24 - 32 ECTS per semester (in most cases, 2 ECTS are equal to 1 American credit)

Tuition
€ 7900 including:
• All courses
• European Study Trip
• CES course materials
• CES weekend and field trips
• Extensive introduction
• Academic advising
• CES services

Housing
• Single or double rooms at the UM International Student Guesthouse
• Private kitchen OR communal cooking facilities
• Shared bathroom facilities
• Housing costs for Spring 2019 range from € 2570 to € 3805

Application deadlines
Spring 2019: 1 October 2018
Fall 2019: 1 April 2019
Spring 2020: 1 October 2019

Application requirements
• Online application
• Minimum GPA of 3.0
• English proficiency

Visa & residence permit
• For stays shorter than 90 days you don’t need a temporary residence permit
• US citizens do not need a visa to enter the Netherlands
• Not from the US? Check out your embassy website for detailed information
• Visa/residence permit costs € 192

Insurance
• You will need sufficient health care, liability and travel insurance
• You are likely to be covered through your home university but CES can assist you if you need to get your own insurance

Courses
• CES coordinators help you select courses to suit your major!
• They will guide you through the academic process and work with you to build a personalised curriculum
• You will enrol in a core course which combines strong academics, integrated field trips and unique hands-on experiences

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Caitlin Samaritano, Miami University

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