ABOUT THE PROGRAM
This trip to France and Belgium is led by Professors Hillery Haney (French) and Kimberly Overdevest (Art History) who both bring to the program extensive teaching and travel experiences.

While enrolled in HU 219 Global Studies Through International Travel (a 3-credit course), students will be provided with an in-depth study of the French and Belgian cultures, art history and civilizations. Students will explore and gain a broader understanding of the multicultural world in which we live by studying language, history, culture, religion and art history as we travel through France and Belgium.

WHEN
May 11–21, 2015

WHERE
Participants will be staying in 3-star hotels throughout the trip. Activities and excursions include guided city tours and museums visits in Paris and Brussels, a visit to Versailles and the Chateaux de la Loire, an excursion to Ghent and Bruges, as well as visits to a local winery (France) and brewery (Belgium) all the while sampling the local cuisine.

WHO
Students are eligible to apply if they meet the following criteria:
• Any GRCC student who is over 18
• Good academic standing—with a GPA above 2.0
• Good GRCC code of conduct record
• Clear a criminal background check
• Proof of current health insurance
• No outstanding fees owed to GRCC
• Have adequate financial means to participate
• Have essential abilities to participate in trip activities

COST
Approximately $3,700
Program Fee Includes:
• Transportation
• Lodging
• Breakfasts
• Scheduled activities

Not Included:
• Course tuition
• Lunches and dinners
• Tips
• Passport/visa fees
• Medical protection plan
• Immunizations
• Personal expenditures
• Other activities
• Other expenses

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
16-18 students (first-come, first-serve basis pending approval)

FINANCIAL AID
Financial aid can be used to cover the cost of the trip. Before making any decision to move forward, please contact Paul Doane, (616) 234-4030, in Financial Aid Office to help determine your options of paying for this experience.

ADVISING
Students interested in determining how to best link study away to academic goals, while also being mindful of financial planning should contact Katherine Hughes in the Counseling and Career Center, (616) 234-3900.

NEXT STEPS
Gather information about the trip through Michael Schavey, (616) 234-4180 or mschavey@grcc.edu, in the Department of Experiential Learning (Room 59, G2 Main), Professor Haney, (616) 234-4380 or hhaney@grcc.edu, or Professor Overdevest (616) 234-4851 or koverdev@grcc.edu.

GETTING STARTED
Students must fill out the Student Intake form on the Study Away OrgSync page, www.orgsync.com. Participants must create a GRCC OrgSync account before completing the form. Included in the intake process the following will be evaluated:
• Criminal history
• Academic records
• Student code of conduct records

Upon approval of the Student Intake Form, students will be directed to Professors Hillery Haney and Kimberly Overdevest for further steps of acceptance into the trip.

Once approved, submit your deposit of $500 (non-refundable after Nov. 1, 2014).

PAYMENT SCHEDULE
$1,600 due on or before Feb. 12, 2015
$1,600 due on or before Mar. 12, 2015

MORE INFORMATION
Please find out more by going to website grcc.edu/StudyAway, or by contacting the Department of Experiential Learning, (616) 234-4162.