# CCBC Faculty-led Study Abroad to Germany

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# Reinventing Germany: History, Industry and Innovation

Travel Dates: May 24 to June 1, 2027

Study business and financial systems in Europe's longtime robust economic powerhouse: Germany. Examine key economic and regulatory institutions and corporations and explore their cultural context in the major business hubs of Frankfurt and Berlin.

**Note:** While the **estimated cost of this program is $4,917**, Program details are subject to change. This estimated cost includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation, full-time local tour manager, travel and emergency medical insurance, entrances, a CCBC continuing education course, and some meals, and is contingent upon sufficient enrollment. Our study abroad company is Hart Travel Partners.

Apply by December 8, 2026!

## Eligibility

Applicants should be at least age 18 and be ready to complete an interview with one of the program's faculty leaders. Applicants under age 18 may be considered for admission if a chaperone can also participate. Student applicants should be in good academic and disciplinary standing at CCBC.

## Financial Aid

If you receive federal financial aid for your CCBC studies, visit any financial aid office to ask if you qualify for additional aid to participate in study abroad.

Students who seek to use federal financial aid toward CCBC study abroad will need to associate a credit-bearing course with the study abroad program. This is optional for all other participants. Contact a faculty leader or the Center for Global Education for details. Students who cannot travel but who wish to learn about topics related to the itinerary may register for a related five-hour CCBC Continuing Education course. The approximate cost of this course is $35.

Please contact the Center for Global Education for registration information.

## Accommodations and Meals

Participants will stay in shared (triple or quad) occupancy rooms in central hotels. A limited number of single and double rooms may be available for an extra fee of $650 or $250, respectively. Please email StudyAbroad@ccbcmd.edu to request a single or a double room. Note that special room options are not guaranteed. Breakfast is included at the hotel each day. Three group dinners are also included in the program. For other meals, the study abroad director in Germany will orient you to excellent and varied local options so that you may make choices based on your preferences and budget.

## Insurance

This study abroad program includes a policy for emergency medical and basic travel insurance. It also includes cancel-for-any-reason (CFAR) insurance, which covers approximately 75% of this program's base cost if a participant withdraws.

Participants over age 39 may pay an extra fee for the program insurance.
For more details and the full insurance policy description, contact CCBC's Center for Global Education.

## Application Deadline

Apply early for best consideration. Regular admission is open until December 8, 2026, or until the program fills – whichever is earlier. Applicants after the closing date may be admitted on a space-available basis or assigned to a waiting list.

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## Payments

Admitted participants will make payments per the calendar below. Individualized alternative payment plans may be available; contact CCBC's Center for Global Education for details.

- $2,500 first payment: Due by Monday, December 14, 2026, at the latest if seats are still available (required to hold an admitted participant's seat in the program)
- Estimated $237 required insurance payment: Due within a week of the first payment above
- Final balance (approximately $2,180 for most participants): Due by Monday, February 1, 2027 (required to confirm a participant's seat in the program)

## Program Inclusions

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### Not included in the estimated cost

- Travel documents including passport and entry fees, registration in the European Travel Information and Authorization System (ETIAS) and – if not a US citizen – possible visa fees.
- Baggage fees on flights, if applicable
- Meals not part of the itinerary
- Tuition and fees for students who opt to register for an associated credit course

- Personal and free time expenses

## Faculty Leaders

**Dr. Jamie Falcon** is an associate professor of economics at CCBC. He holds a PhD in public policy, a master's degree in economics, and a bachelor's degree in finance with an international business concentration. His research interests largely focus on beaches and water safety, so his international travel tends toward warm coasts. He has also visited numerous tropical destinations as an avid scuba diver and water safety trainer. While a student, he spent a year studying abroad in Germany and has traveled extensively throughout Europe.

**Dr. Mark Williams** is the chairman of CCBC's business studies department and an associate professor of business. He holds a PhD in organizational behavior, a master's degree in human resource development, and a bachelor's degree in economics. His research interests largely center on persistence in college, focusing on men and the barriers to their academic success. He has visited numerous financial and business-related destinations with students: NASDAQ, Federal Reserve Bank, New York Stock Exchange, Museum of American Finance, and more.

## Itinerary

- **Monday, May 24 - Flight to Germany:** Board your overnight flight to Frankfurt.
- **Tuesday, May 25 - Frankfurt:** Arrive in Frankfurt and transfer to the hotel. Settle into the hotel and then experience an introductory orientation walk in the city. In the evening, gather for a group welcome dinner.
- **Wednesday, May 26 - Frankfurt:** Begin the day with a guided visit to Frankfurt, exploring the historic center and learning about the city's development as a major European commercial and financial center. In the afternoon, visit the European Central Bank (ECB) to learn about the role of the euro, European monetary policy, financial stability, and the ECB's role within Europe's economy.
- **Thursday, May 27 - Frankfurt:** Visit the Deutsche Bundesbank, Germany's central bank, to study German monetary and financial systems. Explore the Bundesbank's history and responsibilities; its relationship with the European Central Bank; Germany's monetary policy, inflation, and financial stability; and Germany's role in the Eurozone.
- **Friday, May 28 - Berlin:** Travel via high-speed train from Frankfurt to Berlin. Upon arrival in Berlin, check into the hotel and experience an orientation walk through the city center. In the evening, gather for a group dinner.
- **Saturday, May 29 - Berlin:** Study Berlin's major historical highlights via guided visits. Sites include the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, the Holocaust Memorial, former Berlin Wall locations, and Checkpoint Charlie. Explore how World War II, Germany's division and subsequent reunification of East and West, and the fall of the Berlin Wall shaped Germany's political and economic development.

- **Sunday, May 30 - Berlin:** Travel to Wolfsburg, the home of Germany's iconic automobile company Volkswagen, for an immersive study in German manufacturing. Visit Volkswagen's famous Autostadt ("car city") to explore connections between automobiles, technology, design, and consumer culture. Return to Berlin in the evening.
- **Monday, May 31- Berlin:** Spend a free day exploring Berlin. You might wish to revisit a site from a prior day, explore a special acade-mic interest, and/or or pursue individual projects connected to the course themes. Gather in the evening for a group farewell dinner.
- **Tuesday, June 1 - Return Flight to USA:** Transfer to the airport for the group's return flight to the US. Note: Itinerary elements, times and durations are subject to change as needed based on availability. Study abroad provider Hart Travel Partners will confirm the final itinerary prior to departure.

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