

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Courses:

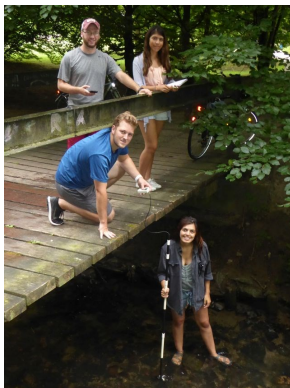
Engineering Students:

- BAEN 460 Prin. of Environmental Hydrology
- BAEN 465 Design of Biological Waste Treatment Systems

Note: All students must register for 6 credit hours to participate in this program.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Junior or senior classification
- Good academic standing
- Minimum 2.0 GPR
- Approval of faculty leaders
- Fluid mechanics



Description:

The “low” countries of Belgium and the Netherlands are among the leaders in the world in hydrology and in the recycling of wastes and development of alternative waste treatment methods. In this 5-week program, students will learn about the hydrologic cycle and water and waste treatment technologies and will compare U.S. and European practices and environmental policies.



non-Texas A&M Students

Process:

- Must apply online at:
<http://studyabroadportal.tamu.edu/?go=Belgium2018>
- Pay the same Study Abroad program fees and related expenses as Texas A&M students
- Enroll in classes at your university equivalent to:
 - BAEN 460 & 465
 - Consult your academic advisor first!
- Pay tuition and fees to your university
- Grades at the end of the Study Abroad program will be reported to your university
- Attend 2 pre-departure meetings via video conference in April

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Belgium Environmental Science & Engineering Study Abroad Program for non-Texas A&M Students



**Summer II 2018
July 4—Aug. 10, 2018**

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Location:

The Belgium Environmental Science and Engineering program is held at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven which is located approximately 30 km east of Brussels in the city of Leuven. K.U. Leuven was established in 1425 and it is now a modern, world-class university with excellent facilities. Leuven is a student-oriented city with a cosmopolitan atmosphere and many cafés and restaurants. The city is compact and very conducive to travel by foot or bicycle. All students will be provided a bicycle for transportation to class and around town.



Activities:

Field trips and seminar speakers will allow students to learn about European environmental practices and policies and compare them to U.S. practices. Field trip sites include the innovative system of sea gates installed by the Netherlands to protect coastal areas from flooding; plants for municipal

wastewater treatment, household organic waste composting, and treatment of drinking water; facilities for collection of groundwater; and a system of sink-



holes and caves to see the interaction between surface and groundwater. Additional field trip sites will include various methods of processing animal manure to produce value-added products and meet EU requirements for reducing environmental impact. In addition to course activities, students will have three- and four-day weekends to explore Europe on their own. Popular sites include Paris, Amsterdam, München (Munich), Köln (Cologne), London, Berlin and Brussels.

PROGRAM FEES

Cost:

The following chart estimates the total expenses a student may have participating in this program. Costs are subject to change based upon finalized program arrangements, number of students, and currency exchange rate.

Estimated Program Fee (subject to change) Billed to Texas A&M University Account		\$ 2,900
KUL Student Housing & Some Meals	\$750	
Excursions & Cultural Site Visits	\$150	
In-Country Transportation	\$500	
CISI International Health Insurance	\$50	
Study Abroad Administrative Fee	\$400	
Miscellaneous Expenses (on-site support, bike rental, other)	\$400	
Portion of Faculty Expenses	\$650	
Estimated Additional Expenses— not included in the Program Fee		\$2,270+
Course Fees at Your University*	Varies	
International Airfare	\$1,500	
Meals (not included in program fees)	\$625+	
Passport & Pictures	\$145	
Personal Spending	Varies	
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST		\$5,170+ course fees

*Please speak with your academic advisor and/or professor to determine what classes at your home university will substitute for the two Texas A&M classes on the program. Please note that students are not able to audit the courses.



FUNDING



Students fund their study abroad experience using multiple sources. Scholarships are very competitive. Look carefully at the deadlines and eligibility requirements. You must consult with your home university's Study Abroad and/or Financial Aid Advisor regarding scholarships and financial aid options.

Scholarships

- From home university
- From Local / National Organizations

Federal, State and Institutional Financial Aid

- Grants
- Loans

Working and Personal Savings

Frequent Flyer Miles / Points / Rewards

Fundraising and/or Sponsorship

- Parents and Extended Family
- Employer
- Religious Community
- Cultural or Ethnic Organizations
- Businesses in Hometown
- Professional Associations

Online Fundraising Websites such as

www.gofundme.com or www.fundmytravel.com.

