EUROPEAN UNION FIELD STUDY

Each December since 1998, Loyola College of Law has presented a field study of the principal institutions of the European Union for law students studying this developing area of transitional law. The journey traverses the original "seam of Europe", from Belgium, to Luxembourg, then Strasbourg, France, culminating with a weekend in Paris. The field study is designed to give U.S. students a concrete, hands-on appreciation of the massive scope of European integration today, as well as a rich taste of European culture.

The field study follows the same basic pattern each year, with a few modifications to accommodate changing schedules of the lawyers, judges and institutions visited.

Arriving in Brussels on the first Sunday of the trip, the group will enjoy a visit to Ghent and a welcome dinner at the famous Chez Leon. This restaurant and our hotel in Brussels are located just off the magnificent Grand Place, called by some "the most beautiful city center in Europe."

The actual visits to the institutions and the lectures by EU officials begin on Monday morning. The first presentation takes place in the most powerful branch of EU governance, the Council of the European Union. That evening the group is invited to a reception by an international law firm located in the EU section of Brussels.

On Tuesday morning, the group will visit different offices in the European Commission.

On Wednesday morning, the group takes the train to the City and Duchy of Luxembourg, the home of the European Court of Justice and several other EU offices. On Wednesday morning, the group tours the court, receive instruction on the court’s operation and attend an oral argument. Following lunch, the group will visit the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial.

On Thursday morning, the group takes the train to picturesque Strasbourg, France. In the evening, there will be a group dinner at the historic L'ancienne Douane, which once served as Strasbourg’s central customs house.

On Friday morning, a visit to the new, stunning European Parliament marks the final official stop on the field study. That afternoon, the group will visit the European Court of Human Rights.

On Saturday, the group travels to Paris for a visit to the Musée d’Orsay, once home to the Conseil d’État and the Cour des Comptes.

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For many students, the tour assumes the form of a law school seminar and independent study project. The many lectures by EU officials and tours on site enhance the students’ knowledge of the operation of the European institutions, and the students subsequently write research papers on key issues currently affecting the EU. Loyola faculty directs the tour and supervises the research papers. The overall experience substantially deepens the participants’ appreciation of the growing European Union.

Students enrolling for credit (1-3 hours) will register for a LAW 898 (Independent Study) or LAW 899 (Legal Research) under the supervision of a professor. Under no circumstances can a student elect any combination of course numbers L898, L899, or L900 that would result in more than six credit hours.

The EU field study is limited to 20 students. Priority is given to 3L students enrolled in the EU I and Intl. Trade courses. To apply, you must submit an application, resume, a statement of your reason for applying to this program and the $200.00 non-refundable administrative fee.

Students enrolling in the EU Field Study must:

- Take all possible exams before departing for Brussels on Saturday, December 7.
- Not purchase plane tickets with departure dates prior to Saturday, December 7.
- Re-schedule other exams with the Law Records Office by the requested deadline. These exams will be taken December 17-19, 2013 and Jan 2, 3, and 6, 2014.

**COST ESTIMATE**

- Administrative Fee: $200.00
- Flight Cost: $900.00 - $1,200.00 (from MSY)
- Trains: $280.00 (approx.)
- Cost of Tuition: $900.00 per credit hour
- Hotels (all 8 nights, with breakfast included)
  - Shared Double: $878.24
  - Single: $1,482.80
- Approximate rates: Hotel and train rates will change slightly according to the daily exchange.
- Students should include daily meals, spending money, taxi fare and museum entry fees in their personal totals.

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**DECEMBER 8 - 15, 2013**

**EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, STRASBOURG, FRANCE**

**COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, LUXEMBOURG**

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