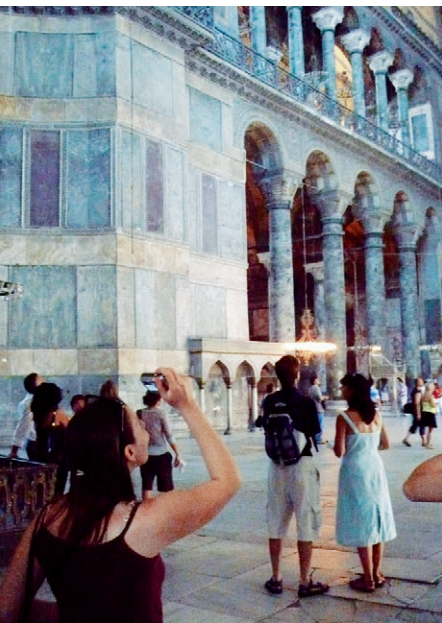




TURKEY

Istanbul

Studying in Istanbul puts more than 2,000 years of history at your doorstep. Located at the crossroads of Asia and Europe, the city has always been a meeting point between East and West. It has hosted ancient Anatolian, Greek, Roman, Byzantine, and Ottoman civilizations, and it is



the cultural center of the modern, secular Turkish Republic. The streets and buildings of this glorious city reflect European, Turkish, Balkan, and Middle Eastern ways of life, all coming together in exotic harmony. True to its cosmopolitan roots, Istanbul today is a global city, and its fast-paced everyday life and vibrant atmosphere create a dazzling urban experience.

This program uses the city and its landmarks as its main classroom. Courses highlight the political, socioeconomic, cultural, and physical continuities and changes of Istanbul throughout its history. The curriculum encourages students to approach urban environments in a critical way and to explore the ongoing transformation of the city.

Topics in Islam, secularism, multiculturalism, modernity, Orientalism, and globalization add other dimensions to the program. Excursions complement the curriculum and provide an insight into Turkish culture and history.

"The Turkey summer program was an unbelievable experience. I was able to meet people who challenged my assumptions, and I was able to explore a part of the world that had previously been completely foreign to me. I met some incredible people from Northwestern and feel like I have had a taste of life in what was once the 'center of the world.'" —Rocio Reyes Morales, 2009 participant

Courses

- **HISTORY 391** City and Civilization in the Eastern Mediterranean World
- **RELIGION 359** Islam and the West
- Independent study (optional; one unit)

Students earn Northwestern credit for these courses; there is no language requirement.

Dates

July 4–August 13

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