

22INTB214 Cultural Competence
Montreal, Canada travel: May 27-June 31, 2011



Program Description: This experiential international program is being offered in conjunction with the spring quarter Cultural Competency KBS course. Students will spend 5 days in Montreal, Canada, exploring the world's second largest French speaking city. The itinerary will include such learning opportunities as an academic presentation, company visit, multicultural city tour, and cultural sightseeing.

Objectives: Foster students' ability to appreciate, investigate and understand differing cultural backgrounds by facilitating opportunities to observe and interact with people of different cultures. We hope thereby to help students begin to develop tolerance, understanding and respect for a variety of cultures, domestic and international.

Course: 22INTB214 203 Cultural Competence offered spring quarter (4 cr.); for KBS freshmen

Academic lectures will be conducted at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)

www.uqam.ca. UQAM is a public, French-language university. Located in the heart of downtown Montreal with direct subway access, UQAM typifies the urban university as an integral part of the community. Its 40,000 students, staff and faculty enjoy an extensive, modern campus with buildings on two neighboring, interconnected sites.

Living Accommodations: McGill University student residence:

www.mcgill.ca/residences/summer. Rooms are set up as study bedrooms, equipped with a small refrigerator. Each is provided with fresh linen, towels and soap. Daily housekeeping service is not provided. Linen and towel changes are available for a nominal fee. Restrooms and showers are shared and located a few steps away from each room (Note: rooms are not air-conditioned.)

Montreal is the world's second-largest French-speaking city and Canada's second largest city with a population of 3 million. It is a major port and center for finance, business and transportation. Given its prime location - only 37 miles (60 km) from the U.S. border - Montréal is an increasingly important hub of North American trade. Montreal is a bilingual city, and although its French influence is the focus of much controversy within Canada, it's this very multicultural flavor that's attractive to visitors. Montreal is renowned for its vibrant nightlife, love of sports, world-class museums, orchestras, shopping and year-round festivals. It is easy to get most everywhere on the metro and by foot.

Transportation: CoB will purchase group airfare from Cincinnati to Montreal. Students are responsible for paying their own transportation costs within Montreal.

Travel Documents:

- 1) Passport - Download application www.travel.state.gov (Allow 6-8 weeks for delivery)
- 2) International Student ID: \$22 available from UC International, 3134 One Edwards.

Estimated Costs:

Program Fee – includes lodging, group dinners, museum pass	\$350
Airfare	\$500
Passport	\$100
International Student ID	\$22
<u>Misc. spending money – subway, breakfast, lunches</u>	<u>\$150</u>
TOTAL	\$1122

All students may apply for grants ranging from \$200-\$700 depending on financial need from UC International (deadline April 15). See <http://www.uc.edu/global/>. University Honors may also have some funding.

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Sample Montreal Itinerary
Friday -Tuesday June 1

Friday	PM	Flight to Montreal, Canada
		Arrive Montreal. Catch taxis to McGill Residences. Check in to rooms.
	PM	Dinner in Old Montreal –Place Cartier
Saturday		
10:00-1:00		Guided Walking Tour of Multicultural Montreal: An overview of life in the various districts of Montreal. Successive waves of immigrants have contributed to the make-up of the city. Discover the distinctive lifestyles of different ethnic groups and learn how they have contributed to the architecture, gastronomy, economy and culture of Montreal. The tour includes Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Chinese and Jewish neighborhoods.
Lunch		Jean-Talon Market, Little Italy www.marchespublics-mtl.com/en-ca Metro to Mont Royal, bus #11 to Parc Mont Royal for picnic lunch
4:00-6:00		Free Time
6:00		Group Dinner: Chinatown
Evening		Movie – Canadian film at Cinema Du Parc

Sunday

AM Group shopping observation exercise and debriefing

Afternoon Sightseeing and Museums in Old Montreal
Notre Dame Basilica, Vieux Montreal,
Montreal Museum of Archaeology and History www.pacmuseum.qc.ca
Saint Joseph's Oratory www.saint-joseph.org

7:00 pm Group Dinner (Indian or Greek cuisine)

Monday (Memorial Day in the US)

9:00-10:30 University of Quebec at Montreal (UQAM)
Montreal: a French enclave in an Anglophone nation: historical perspective.
Canadian – US cultural issues when doing business

Lunch La Banquise Poutine, typical French Canadian cuisine

PM Company visit: to be announced

Dinner Group Dinner (Italian or Canadian)

Tuesday,

9:00-11:00 UC Consulate Business Services visit

Noon Debrief trip over lunch. Highlights and learnings.

5:00 pm Flight to Cincinnati