
Department of Human Development and Family Sciences
School of Education and Social Sciences

Messiah College EpiCenter / International Programs

Although EpiCenter programs are open to all students, there are some programs that may be of particular interest to students in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies. Below is a description of these opportunities. For more details, stop by the EpiCenter.

*"The world is a great book,
of which they who never stir from home read only a page."*

Resources available in the EpiCenter include:

- Applications
- Brochures / Catalogs / Videos
- Course Listings
- International Student Identity Cards
- Fact Sheets
- Passport Photos

Information is provided about:

- Costs
- Deadlines
- Names of Program Advisors
- Passports
- Requirements
- Traveling/Studying Abroad

City University Athens

Students live and study in the shadow of the ancient Acropolis while participating in BCA's program in Athens. Field trips to such places as Delphi, Corinth, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Naphleon, and Sparta provide students with an introduction to the history and culture of Greece.

- ✓Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓2.7 GPA

Courses available in social sciences such as "Understanding Human Development" and "Abnormal Psychology."

Internships

Students have an opportunity to test their theories in real world settings as they preview possible career opportunities. The program is specifically designed to help students gain an awareness of the demands and issues within a particular profession and consider how values and faith apply to the work place.

- ✓Junior or senior status
- ✓2.5 GPA

Working with inner city youth in a recreation program, assisting counselors at a mental health organization, or helping with a non-profit organization are among the possibilities.

Daystar University

Messiah students can join the approximately 1,800 learners who study each year at Daystar University in Kenya, East Africa. Daystar offers students a semester or year-long experience at the Athi River Campus.

- ✓Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓2.75 GPA

The university offers behavioral science-related courses.

LCC International University

Witness history in the making while studying in Klaipeda, Lithuania. Part of the former Soviet Union, Lithuania is home to LCC International University which serves students from a number of Eastern European nations.

- ✓Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓2.5 GPA

Students can take classes in family and social sciences such as "Human Development," "Marriage and Family," and "Parenting."

Philadelphia Campus

Studying at Philadelphia allows students to have the benefits of a large university and the closeness of a small community as they experience an urban culture.

- ✓ Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓ 2.25 GPA

*Students can choose to participate in the **Urban Semester Program** which offers an opportunity for students to earn general education credits while they study urban culture and issues.*

Service-Learning

This year-long program will give students an opportunity to integrate faith and learning and is designed to encourage students to live out their faith. The program is broken into three sequential components: a spring preparatory class, a summer service experience, and a reflective fall course.

- ✓ First year, sophomore, or junior status

Students can participate in service projects related to their majors.

Spring Semester in Thailand

Students study Thai language and culture by immersing themselves in a unique Asian experience. Home stays, internship / service projects, travel, and classroom instruction at Chiang Mai University are designed to give students a comprehensive view of life in Thailand. Students take a ten-day field trip to Lanpang, Sukhothai, Phitsanulok, Ayutthaya, Pattaya, and Bangkok.

- ✓ Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓ 2.5 GPA

Students have served/interned at the New Life Center, The Northern Center for Child Development, and the Healing Heart.

University of Barcelona

University of Strasbourg

BCA programs in Spain and France allow students to enhance their language skills by studying at a university in another country where courses are taught in the host country's language.

- ✓ Junior or senior status
- ✓ Four semesters of college-level language for France; five semesters is required for Spain.
- ✓ 3.0 GPA.

These schools offer behavioral science-related courses.

University of Gloucestershire

Located in southwestern England (near the border of Wales). University of Gloucestershire is home to the BCA program in the UK. Messiah students experience British life in the quaint English town of Cheltenham. Students also travel to historical and cultural locations around the country.

- ✓ Sophomore, junior, or senior status
- ✓ 2.7 GPA

Courses available in Child Care Practices, Early Childhood Studies, Psychology, and Sociology, and Social Work.

To discover more opportunities, visit the EpiCenter Online: www.messiah.edu/studyabroad

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