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Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice  
*School of Education and Social Sciences*

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*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 Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice. 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 *Sociology and Psychology*.

***CASAS (Central American Study and Service)***

Students spend eight weeks in Guatemala in language and cultural study and four weeks in service projects.

✓ Sophomore, junior, or senior status

✓ 2.5 GPA

Students can choose from social science-related courses such as "Anthropology Perspectives in a Guatemalan Context" and "Violence, Justice, and Peace in Central America."

***GoEd Africa***

Based in Kampala, Uganda, and Kigali, Rwanda, the Go ED Program in Africa engages students with the reality of global poverty. Run by Food for the Hungry, the program fosters spiritual formation alongside academic courses and cross-cultural experience; students participate in one of FTH service projects.

✓ Junior, or senior status

✓ 3.0 GPA

Students take social science-related courses such as "Issues in Peacebuilding" and "Social Context for Community Development."

***Internships***

Students have an opportunity to test their theories in real world settings as they preview possible career opportunities. Students gain an awareness of the demands and issues within a particular profession and consider how values and faith apply to the workplace.

✓ Junior or senior status

✓ 2.5 GPA

***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 *sociology and social sciences*.

### ***London Internship Program***

The London Internship Program offers internships and academic study for a semester in London, England. Students are placed in field experiences and take university classes.

✓ Junior or senior status

✓ 3.0 GPA

*Criminal Justice internships and courses available.*

### ***Philadelphia Campus***

Studying in 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.

✓ Sophomore, junior, or senior status

✓ 2.5 GPA

### ***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 Social Work, Sociology, and Criminology.*

### ***University of Veracruz***

Discover our neighbors to the south in a semester-long, language program in Mexico. Students begin their semester with intensive language instruction before classes commence at the University of Veracruz in the mountainous city of Xalapa.

✓ Sophomore, Junior, or senior status

✓ Two semesters of college-level Spanish are required; three is recommended

✓ 3.0 GPA

*Courses available in sociology and anthropology.*

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***To discover more opportunities, visit the EpiCenter Online: [www.messiah.edu/studyabroad](http://www.messiah.edu/studyabroad)***

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