

BREMEN, GERMANY

Center for (CGE) Global Education  
HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES



River Weser



Schnoor District

### Going Abroad with the CGE

Students will be charged standard HWS tuition and fees and a \$550 administrative fee. This will cover tuition for a four-course semester and program orientation. Note that no room or board charge is included. Students will pay housing fees directly and either purchase or prepare their own meals. Students should bring their HWS room and board fees with them to cover these expenses (full-year students will need to plan accordingly to cover two semesters). Room costs will vary depending upon the option chosen but should range from \$2,000—\$2,500. While food expenses will vary according to individual tastes, we estimate that about \$2,100—\$2,300 should be sufficient for students who prepare their own meals. Additional expenses not covered include airfare, books, residence permit and personal expenses (laundry, entertainment, ground transportation and independent travel). We estimate airfare for this program at \$1000-\$1200 from the East Coast, books at \$250 and residence permit at \$150. It is difficult to give an accurate estimate of personal expenses because student spending habits differ considerably. We would suggest a minimum of \$1500 above and beyond room and board. However, students on a tight budget should be able to manage with less. If you are concerned about finances, we strongly encourage you to talk to the CGE staff who can offer information and advice based on your specific situation. Students applying to study in Germany through CGE-sponsored programs are encouraged to apply to the **Julius G. Blocker '53 Endowed Fund**. Those selected as "Blocker Fellows" receive support to cover a variety of expenses related to their study abroad program. For further information visit <http://www.hws.edu/academics/global/german/>. The deadline for applications for the Blocker Fellowship is the same as the deadline for CGE program applications.

### Application Deadlines

- This program is offered every semester. Note that spring applicants will be abroad for one semester while fall applicants will be abroad for the full academic year.
- Applications are available at the Center for Global Education.
- Applications are due at the CGE office at a selected date in October (for Fall programs) and March (for Spring programs). For specific date contact the CGE.

NOTE: The information above is subject to change. Please see the CGE for more information.

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## About Bremen

With a population of nearly 600,000, Bremen is the 10<sup>th</sup> largest city in Germany. As a 1200 year-old city and member of the Hanseatic League, Bremen has a long tradition as an important port city and as an industrial and commercial center. Its seafaring tradition is evident in the city's cultural festivals and its architecture, including the Schlachte Embankment, a promenade on the River Weser that serves as a gathering place for locals and visitors alike. The Bremen Town Hall, located in the Market Square, was completed in 1410 and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city boasts one of the largest urban regeneration projects in Europe in the Uberseestadt District, where the old city docks are being transformed into a community five times the size of the city center. Among the city's most famous attractions is a statue based on a folktale by the Brothers Grimm, *The Bremen Town Musicians*.

*Bremen Town Hall*



## The Program

Hobart and William Smith Colleges maintain an exchange program with the University of Bremen in northwestern Germany. The university is comprised of 17,000 students, with most academic buildings located on a campus just outside the city center. This program provides HWS students the opportunity to develop German language skills while taking a variety of other courses in English alongside German students as well as other international students.

## Courses

In addition to German language and culture courses (offered at all levels, from beginning to advanced), students will be able to choose from a wide selection of English-language courses in several areas, including international relations, computer science, political science, history, economics, biology, media and society, and literature. For a complete list of courses please visit the CGE.



*The Bremen Town Musicians Statue*

*Bremen Market Square*



## Academic Focus

This program can accommodate a variety of students and is designed for those who are interested in learning more about Germany and in developing German language skills. Students in international relations, political science, economics, history, computer science, biology, media and society, European Studies, and German Area Studies will find the program of particular interest.

## Eligibility

This program is open to all juniors and seniors (sophomores may be considered in exceptional cases) in good academic and social standing with a minimum GPA of 3.0. In addition, students must have completed at least one semester of college-level German prior to the program and must take a

German language course in Bremen. Exchange opportunities depend on the availability of slots at the host institution. Due to the challenging nature of study abroad, student academic and disciplinary records will be carefully screened. **Note: due to the timing of the academic calendar at the University of Bremen, seniors participating in the spring semester will not be able to return in time for commencement on the HWS campus.** The spring program runs from mid-March—July.

## Accommodations

Students will live in residence halls or apartments alongside other international and German students. There are communal kitchen/cooking facilities so that students may prepare their own meals or they may purchase meals in affordable student cafeterias around the university. The International Office in Bremen will assist students in locating housing. Homestay options may be available and interested students should contact the CGE for further information.