Global Direct Program

Copenhagen, Denmark
Denmark’s International Study Program

USC’s affiliate program in Denmark is designed to integrate students into the life and culture of the Danish people. The program is located in Copenhagen, Denmark’s capital and Scandinavia’s biggest city. A city known for its old-world charm yet modern economy, Copenhagen is an ideal place to study, offering an abundance of culture, history, design and international perspectives. Students will attend Denmark’s International Study Program (DIS), a study abroad organization affiliated with the University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen Business School, and Roskilde University. DIS, known for combining classroom teaching with field studies, offers a unique learning experience by taking the learning into the community.

The program in Copenhagen offers a full curriculum. Courses are taught in English by Danish professors who are professionals working in the fields they teach. Students attend classes with other American students and international students from Central Europe, Russia, China – and in some cases, Denmark.

As a prerequisite, students must have attained at least junior standing prior to attending Denmark’s International Study Program. The academic program is rigorous, designed for students who enjoy challenging and engaging coursework. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required to apply.

Courses and Credits
Students typically earn 15 credit hours per semester. Listed below are a few examples of the subjects offered.

Subject Offerings
Architecture  Design  History
Art History  Economics  Philosophy
Biology (Marine and Molecular)  Education (Child Development)  Political Science
Business  Environmental Studies  Public Health
Communication  European Politics and Culture  Sociology
Criminal Justice

Nyhavn Canal, Copenhagen
Living Arrangements
Students can choose to live with a Danish host family to experience Danish life and culture firsthand, or in residence halls shared with Danish and other international students. Those students who prefer a rather independent living arrangement can choose the Danish roommate option – an apartment shared with a young Danish student or professional. Students pay a program fee, which includes tuition, housing, field studies, use of textbooks, local transportation, and comprehensive medical, accident and liability insurance, to DIS. More information on housing can be found at http://www.dis.dk/Housing/generalinfo.php.

Budgeting
The program fee for DIS is very inclusive. Students should budget for their own airfare, independent travel, and personal expenses not covered in the DIS program price. Excluding food, students have reported spending approximately $400 a month on average. For a comprehensive list of items included in the DIS program fee, visit: http://www.dis.dk/Financial/CompFee2.php#tuitionfee.

Master Calendar
DIS works on an American university calendar. Classes begin at the end of August and run through mid-December for the fall. The Spring semester runs from mid-January through mid-May. USC students can attend Denmark’s International Study Program during the summer, fall semester, spring semester or academic year. A detailed schedule can be found at http://www.dis.dk/Academic2/calendars.php.

Insurance
Comprehensive health, accident, and personal liability insurance is included in the DIS program fee. To learn more about the insurance coverage, visit http://www.dis.dk/Financial/Insurance.php. This is in addition to the International Student Identity Card which is required by USC.

Orientation
Orientation lasts one week and includes intensive Danish language lessons, workshops on DIS services, and social events to help you meet your new classmates. http://www.dis.dk/faculty-advisors/student-services/arrival/

Excursions
All DIS academic programs include two Scandinavian/European study tours composed of course-integrated site visits as well as cultural elements. Students also have the opportunity for individual travel during a 2-week mid-semester break. For an additional fee, the program offers study tours to locations such as Russia and Turkey, as well as weekend and mid-semester adventure tours including a Czech trek, canoeing in Sweden, a ferry trip to Oslo, and skiing in France. Information on all available excursions can be found at http://www.dis.dk/study-abroad/tours/.

Entry Visa
Students that attend DIS are required to obtain a student visa prior to leaving the United States. Once accepted to DIS, you will receive further information on how to do this. For more information, you can visit the Consulate General of Denmark’s website at http://www.dis.dk/study-abroad-students/faqs/#Visas/Residence%20Permits.

Footnotes
Visit DIS at http://www.dis.dk. Students should submit their application materials directly to the USC study abroad office.

For more information on Denmark, please visit their official tourism site: http://www.visitdenmark.dt.dk/