

**MSC L.T. JORDAN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS  
GREECE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM  
2008-2009**

**PURPOSE**

The Greece Leadership Program is an interdisciplinary international program that will send ten Texas A&M sophomore business and engineering students to the country of Greece to enhance their leadership talents and skills. The program provides students an opportunity to experience Greece's contemporary and historical culture, gain valuable friendships, develop communication skills, gain confidence and be further encouraged to study, research or intern abroad.

**THE PROGRAM**

The MSC L.T. Jordan Institute shall arrange for and partially fund the following:

1. Cross-cultural orientation to customs, society, and government of Greece during the spring semester of each year, prior to participants' departure.
2. Living accommodations and two meals a day for 15 days.
3. Ground transportation to and from all scheduled locations.
4. A Texas A&M University staff and/or faculty member throughout the trip.
5. Group activities and leadership seminars upon arrival in the country.
6. Air transportation to and from Greece.

This program is concurrent with the first TAMU summer school session. The program is sixteen days long, departing on May 15, 2008 and arriving in the U.S. on May 31, 2008. The return date will provide the student with ample time to attend both summer session classes.

**ELIGIBILITY**

1. Currently enrolled Texas A&M University students of sophomore classification who are citizens/residents of the U.S. with a GPR of at least 2.5. (*Students should be entering their Junior year upon returning to the United States.*)
2. Preference will be given to students with little or no international travel or living abroad experience but with a demonstrated interest in international affairs.
3. Students applying for the MSC L.T. Jordan Institute Greece Leadership Program must be returning to Texas A&M University for the fall semester.
4. A valid and current passport is required of all students prior to departure.
5. Students must have a demonstrated ability to function effectively in a cross-cultural environment and to uphold the image of TAMU as a world-class university.
6. Upon selection as a participant, the student must complete a contract and release form which includes all rules, regulations and requirements.
7. Students must participate in the orientation meetings and activities set up by the MSC L. T. Jordan Institute.

## PROCESS

1. Applications are due by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7, 2008** in the L.T. Jordan Institute Office, Room 223I in the MSC. One reference form from a professor in your field of study or someone who knows your academic performance is required as well as the names and phone numbers of two other individuals who may be contacted if needed. PLEASE BE SURE TO **TURN IN SIX COPIES** OF YOUR APPLICATION.
2. For further information about the Leadership Program, please come by the Jordan Institute office, call 845-8770, or e-mail [ji-chair@msc.tamu.edu](mailto:ji-chair@msc.tamu.edu). There will also be informational meetings about this program.
3. Applicants will be screened by the Greece Leadership Program Selection Committee to narrow the number of candidates for the interview process. Applicants will be interviewed by the following officials of the MSC L.T. Jordan Institute for International Awareness:
  - A. Jordan Institute staff director
  - B. Jordan Institute student chairman
  - C. Student director of the Greece Leadership Program
  - D. Other individuals as deemed appropriate by the student committee
4. Applicants shall be notified of the interview outcome by mail within five working days of the final interview.

## FUNDING/FINANCING

Partial funding for the program is derived from proceeds of the Leland T. and Jessie W. Jordan Endowment for the MSC L.T. Jordan Institute for International Awareness. This funding includes the above stated items but does not cover the total cost of the program.

Therefore, students will be responsible for paying \$2,900. Other incidental expenses may include, but are not limited to, all personal needs; any required travel documents and/or preventative medical care needed prior to departure; photographic equipment, film and processing; other food and snacks as desired; and pleasure travel not scheduled in the group trip.

Students may apply for an interest-free loan of up to \$1000 from the MSC Overseas Loan Program. Interviews for these loans are scheduled on a monthly basis.

## REQUIREMENTS

Participants must attend scheduled meetings during the spring semester. Participants may be dropped from the program if they do not have 80% attendance of the meetings. If participants withdraw from the program after airline tickets have been purchased, the price of the ticket may not be refunded.

**PERSONAL DATA SHEET**

**For MSC L.T. Jordan Institute for International Awareness  
2008-2009 GREECE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM APPLICANTS**

**PLEASE TYPE**

- 1) Name Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle or Maiden) (Preferred)
- 2) Local Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or Residence Hall) (City and Zip Code) (Phone)
- 3) Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(State) (Zip Code) (Phone)
- 4) Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ 5) Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ 6) Gender \_\_\_\_\_ (M/F)
- 7) United States Citizen \_\_\_\_\_ (yes / no)  
If no, are you naturalized citizen or resident of the USA? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) Classification \_\_\_\_\_ 9) Major \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Minor \_\_\_\_\_
- 11) Expected graduation date (Month and Year) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Last five digits of your ID# \_\_\_\_\_ 13) E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) How did you hear about the leadership program? \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby acknowledge that the information stated in the 2008-2009 Greece Leadership Program Application is true to the best of my knowledge and give my permission for an authorized MSC staff to verify my GPR.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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1) Is your GPR at least a 2.5?

YES  NO

**2) EDUCATION**

List all colleges or universities attended.

<u>Institution/City &amp; State</u>	<u>Dates Attended</u>		<u>Degree obtained/yr.</u>	<u>Major</u>
	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>		

**3) INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE (if any)**

List each country visited, precise period of stay and purpose (i.e. study, travel, visiting relatives, etc.).

**4) HONORS, EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING OFFICES HELD), AND EMPLOYMENT** (please limit to space provided)

**5) REFERENCES**

Please include one completed recommendation form filled out by a professor in your field of study or someone who knows your academic performance. List two other individuals, of which one should be a personal reference, who may be contacted in order to comment on your strengths as an applicant for this program. References should come from Texas A&M University Faculty or Staff members, advisers, employers, or other individuals who know you well.

Name	Title	Relation to Applicant	Phone #
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a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_



10) How do you plan to pay for your trip?

11) Why do you want to travel to Greece over another country?

Completion of the following section will help in making accommodations:

12) Please circle one response for each question:

Students are expected to share a room. Are you willing to share a room? YES NO

Are you allergic to any foods/animals? YES NO

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have special dietary requirements? YES NO

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a smoker? YES NO

Would you mind being placed with others who smoke? YES NO

Do you have any medical conditions of which we should be made aware? YES NO

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_