

Heritage Greece Program 2018

The American College of Greece (ACG) is now accepting applications for Heritage Greece 2018, an educational and cultural program for Greek-American students of college age. Heritage Greece is an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore Hellenic heritage, culture and identity with a peer group of students from the US and Greece.

Heritage Greece was developed by the National Hellenic Society (NHS) as part of its mission to celebrate and preserve Hellenic heritage in the United States. It is hosted in Greece by The American College of Greece (ACG). Heritage Greece is the National Hellenic Society's contribution to keeping Hellenic heritage and identity vibrant and relevant.

This year marks the ninth consecutive year that the Heritage Greece Program will take place. The program includes tailor-made educational and cultural activities that make for an intense immersion experience. They include insider's tours and screenings at the Benaki and Acropolis museums in Athens; private Greek dancing classes; visits to beautiful locales; tours of sites of archaeological and historical significance; visits to religious sites and monuments of the Byzantine period. These are combined with seminars, outings and activities with Deree students to guarantee a unique experience of the participants' ancestral land.

This year, the Heritage Greece Program will run from June 7 - 24, 2018

This program includes:

- A first-hand experience of Hellenic heritage, traditions and culture
- An experiential, customized one-credit language and culture course
- Field trips and on-site teaching
- Recreational and educational excursions
- Modern, spacious housing at ACG
- Tuition, meals and transportation while in Greece
- Classroom materials

Structure & Cost

Students will meet in Washington DC for Orientation on June 7, 2018, depart for Greece as a group on June 8, accompanied by an ACG staff member and will arrive in Greece on June 9. Participants bear a \$1,000 portion of the airfare expense to Greece (the remaining cost is born by NHS) and are responsible for their transportation to and from Washington D.C. Expenses including tuition, accommodations, local transportation, meals, and related costs are borne by the National Hellenic Society. Students will depart from Greece on Sunday June 24, 2018.

ACG is accepting applications for the program through March 15, 2018.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- be currently enrolled as undergraduate or graduate students
- be Americans of Greek descent*
- be 18-26 years of age
- never or seldom have been to Greece in the past
- have a GPA of 3.0 or above

* Greek descent is defined as having one or more parents, grandparents or great grandparents born in Greece. Please note that siblings or first cousins of past and/or current participants, who meet the program's eligibility criteria, may participate in Heritage Greece 2018 on condition that they reimburse NHS for all expenses related to their participation.

Study Abroad at ACG

The American College of Greece is also offering study abroad scholarships for all 2018 program participants who wish to study abroad at ACG, provided they meet the required admissions criteria:

- For one academic semester (Fall or Spring); scholarships of \$3,000 towards the ACG Study Abroad Comprehensive Fee
- For Summer Term (June – July); scholarships of \$2,000 towards the ACG Study Abroad Comprehensive Fee
- For the summer session, (June or July); scholarships of \$1,000 towards the ACG Study Abroad Comprehensive Fee

We invite you to encourage potential applicants to visit our website at <http://www.acg.edu/admissions/study-abroad/heritage-greece>, where they can learn more about this year's Heritage Greece program. For additional information, please e-mail us at heritagegreece@acg.edu or call us at 0030-210-600-9800 ext. 1028.

We wish you a blessed Christmas season,

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