

ROMANIA

A GVSU PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



Romania: Babes-Bolyai University Open to: Open to all students

TELL ME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

With more than 39,000 students, Babes-Bolyai University (BBU) is a large, public University with students from all over the world. It was originally established in 1581 making it one of the oldest Universities in Romania. Babes-Bolyai University is located in the city of Cluj-Napoca, the second most populous city in Romania. Cluj-Napoca is in the heart of the Transylvania which is most often recognized because of author Bram Stoker's fictitious character Dracula. The city offers a great deal to students who choose to venture to this less-traditional study abroad location. It hosts very well-known film and music festivals, many restaurants, clubs and beautiful parks. It prides itself on offering a great blend of strong traditions and modernity.

The regular cost of a semester at BBU is less than a semester at GVSU due to the low cost of living in Romania. GVSU students can apply for the Erasmus+ Scholarship that will include a stipend of 750 Euro per month and airfare which could bring the total estimated cost of this semester exchange to around \$5,500 for 4.5 months. Without the scholarship, this program still costs less than a semester at GVSU! BBU offers a very welcoming and open campus and embraces multiculturalism as a core value of the institution. For more information about Babes-Bolyai University, please visit: <http://www.ubbcluj.ro/en/>

WHEN CAN I GO?

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| Fall 2018: | October - February |
| Academic Year 2018-19: | October - June |
| Winter 2019: | February - June (Recommended semester) |

WHERE WILL I LIVE?

Students are able to apply for on-campus housing and off-campus apartments. Students that wish to live on-campus should apply for housing early to ensure placement on-campus.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

2.5 (undergraduate) or 3.0 (graduate) GPA required.

HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for this program, log on to www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad to begin your online application.

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| Winter 2018: | September 10, 2017 |
| Fall 2018: | February 1, 2018 |
| Academic Year 2018-19: | February 1, 2018 |

HOW MUCH DOES THE PROGRAM COST?

The approximate fee for this program is Total Projected Cost: \$10,758 - \$11,058 (per semester).

FINANCIAL AID

Students typically pay for study abroad through a combination of financial aid, personal funds, scholarships/grants and alternative loans. **Early application for financial aid is strongly recommended.**

To contact the Financial Aid office, email finaid@gvsu.edu with “**Study Abroad**” in the Subject line. Include your **G Number** and **Total Projected Cost** of the program in the e-mail.

Financial Aid

GRANTS

Erasmus Plus Program:

Erasmus+ is a program sponsored by the European Commission that offers scholarship support to students studying at a partner institution for one semester. Scholarships are competitive. The number of scholarships available may vary from year to year. BBU conducts a selection process to identify the strongest candidates who will be offered a scholarship. The number of available scholarships will vary based on the total number of applicants any given semester. Minimum of a 2.5 GPA is required, but a competitive applicant should have a 3.0 or above. Students must agree to attend one of the PIC required pre-departure orientation. Students must be majoring or minoring in one of the following subjects: Journalism, Political Science, Business, Master of Business Administration (MBA). Eligible students are automatically considered when they apply. For more information, contact studyabroad@gvsu.edu

Study Abroad Semester Grant:

Students who complete an online study abroad application by the designated priority deadline, have a 2.5 GPA and a FAFSA on file, may be eligible for a study abroad grant ranging from \$500-\$1,750/semester. Due to limited funding, not all eligible students will receive a grant.

WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

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Monday - Friday: 8am - 4pm

Hours extended on Wednesday until 7pm during Fall and Winter Semesters