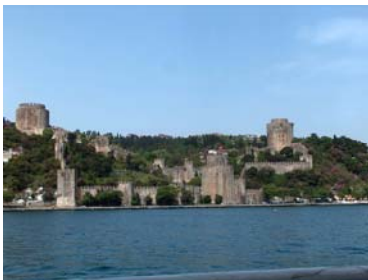


# History of Istanbul: Islamic City and Secular Society

May 3–18, 2008



## Overview

This Integrated Field Trip Abroad (IFTA) will take place in Istanbul, Turkey. The course is designed for students enrolled in **Dr. Pinar Emiralioglu's** courses, "Introduction to Islamic Civilization," "Mediterranean World," and/or "An Islamic Empire in Europe: The Ottoman Empire." The IFTA lectures, assigned readings, and meetings with scholars in Istanbul will cover the political, architectural, and socioeconomic history of Istanbul throughout the Ottoman Empire and Turkish Republic. The course will explore how political, social, ethno-religious and economic developments were articulated in the organization of city space and the city's architecture. These developments include the conquest of Constantinople in 1453, the rise of the Ottoman Empire in the early modern era, modernization, nationalism, and the foundation of the Turkish Republic in 1923.

The course will enable students to investigate the historical evolution of an Islamic city and a secular society and explore how these two concepts interact in present-day Turkey. During the program, the students will make daily visits to historical sites in Istanbul as well as in Bursa and Edirne, which were once Ottoman capital cities. These visits will aim to offer students a well-rounded and factual examination of Turkish society in general, and Istanbul in particular. Both the site visits and the lectures by Dr. Emiralioglu, who is originally from Istanbul, will provide the students with a non-U.S. view of historical developments at the intersection of the Middle East and Southeastern Europe.

## Program Fee

\$1,730\* plus airfare. Includes tuition and fees for three credits, accommodations in double rooms, daily breakfasts and two group dinners, all field trips, cultural events, airport transfers, and local transportation passes.

## Additional Expenses

Students will need to budget for airfare (estimated at \$1,500\*), meals not covered by the program fee, books and course materials, personal expenses, Pitt study abroad fee, medical insurance (required), and mandatory visa fee upon entering the country.

## Financial Aid and Scholarships

All of the state and federal financial aid (with the exception of work-study grants) and most Pitt scholarships that you would normally receive while studying on campus are applicable to this program. Students who wish to apply for financial aid should do so as early as possible at the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid. Scholarships that are applicable to this program for Pitt students include:

- Study Abroad Office scholarships
- Provost's Scholarship for Study Abroad
- Departmental scholarships
- Summer Study Abroad Scholarships from the Center for Russian and East European Studies (for students enrolled in the REES Certificate Program)

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