



Day 2 Saturday, March 13 Frankfurt - Heidelberg

- Arrive at Frankfurt International Airport (FRA)
- Transportation by private bus from the airport to your hotel
- 7 nights in twin rooms with private bathrooms incl. breakfast at the 3-star **Hotel Bayrischer Hof** in Heidelberg
- Public transportation pass for the duration of your entire stay in Heidelberg
- **Guided walking tour of Heidelberg** to learn more about the historic city center of Heidelberg. See Germany's longest shopping street, the famous Heidelberg castle and the old bridge over the Neckar river.

Day 3 Sunday, March 14 Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- **Orientation session** by your on-site coordinator at the hotel
- Enjoy a free morning in Heidelberg. You may visit some of Heidelberg's museums such as the Ethnographical Museum, the Palatinate Museum or the Students' Prison.
- Guided tour of the **Heidelberg Castle**. This most famous of Germany's ruined castles, originally built around 1300, thrones majestically over the Neckar Valley and became the residence of the Electors of the Palatinate and one of the most splendid royal dwellings of the High Renaissance.
- **Welcome dinner** at a restaurant in Heidelberg to kick off the program
- Guided night tour of the **German Pharmacy Museum** with its collection of over 20.000 objects representing the rich history of medical sciences, especially the history of pharmacy.

Day 4 Monday, March 15 Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- Visit to the **Heidelberg University** for a tour across the campus and the laboratories, to attend lectures by local professors, and to have lunch in the cafeteria of the university.
- Free afternoon to explore Heidelberg on your own
- **Classroom** available for 1 hour in the evening at your hotel for a class session with your faculty leader

Day 5 Tuesday, March 16 Ladenburg - Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transportation by private bus in the morning
- Visit to **Heidelberg Pharma** running a dual business model as a pre-clinical CRO (contract research organization) and a drug development company
- Public transportation during the afternoon
- Visit to the **German Cancer Research Center**, the largest biomedical research institute in Germany and a member of the Helmholtz Association of National Research Centers.

Day 6 Wednesday, March 17 Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- **Arranged by University of South Florida:** Heidelberg Chemistry walking tour
- Visit to the **Max Planck Institute for Medical Research**. It works on fundamental biological issues that are of long-term medical significance, and it currently consists of three departments: the Department of Molecular Neurobiology, the Department of Biomedical Optics, and the Department of Biomolecular Mechanisms.

Day 7 Thursday, March 18 Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- Visit to the **European Molecular Biology Laboratory EMBL**, one of the world's leading research institutions, and Europe's flagship laboratory for the life sciences.
- Guided tour of a **brewery** to learn about the necessary steps before a beer is ready for the tap (incl. tasting)
- **Classroom** available for 1 hour in the evening at your hotel for a class session with your faculty leader

Day 8 Friday, March 19 Heidelberg

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- Tickets for the **Heidelberg funicular railways** to enjoy the spectacular views of Heidelberg and the Neckar valley. You can even see far across the Rhine lowlands as far as the Palatinate wine route from the vantage point of the Königstuhl.
- Use your last afternoon in Heidelberg for final discussions and reflection
- **Farewell dinner** at a restaurant in Heidelberg to wrap up the program

Day 9 Saturday, March 20 Heidelberg - Frankfurt

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transportation by private bus from the hotel to the airport
- Departure from Frankfurt International Airport (FRA) to the USA (airfare not included)