



## American College of Thessaloniki, Greece

Thessaloniki, Greece (Europe)

### Quick Facts

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**Dates:** (12-15 credits) mid-September - depart late December

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## Program Overview

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Thessaloniki, founded in 315 BC, is the second largest city in Greece, located about 300 miles north of Athens in the ancient province of Macedonia. Nearby, Mount Olympus, Mount Athos, and the coastal resorts of the Halkidiki Peninsula offer many sightseeing and recreational opportunities. With its rich history and strategic geopolitical location, Greece offers a contemporary lifestyle as well as the presence of the rich heritage of both the east and west.

See a very short and beautiful video made by Ashley Feith, an ACT study abroad student from Manhattan Marymount College, about her experience by clicking below. Ashley was a Student Diplomat who won the "Connecting our World" video contest.

National Geographic listed Thessaloniki as one of the 20 top places in the world to visit in 2013. Click [here](#) to read about it!

Enjoy this beautiful video of Greece!

## Gallery

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## Contact Program Sponsor and Advisor

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## Academics & Program

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**The American College of Thessaloniki (ACT)**, a division of Anatolia College, is an independent, non-profit, liberal arts college. Anatolia College is an American-sponsored, private educational institution founded in 1886. ACT offers a four-year Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science program and one or two year MBA to over 500 students from over 20 countries. Classes held at Anatolia's beautiful 60-acre campus are small enough to ensure close interaction between the professor and student.

### Course Offerings

The American College of Thessaloniki offers programs of study in the arts and sciences, and in business administration. All coursework is taught in English, and no prior study or knowledge of Greek language is required.

Course offerings are in a wide array of disciplines and include Accounting, Anthropology, Computer Science, Economics, English, European Studies, Finance, Greek language, History, Humanities, Management, Marketing, Philosophy, Political Science/Sociology and Statistics.

We recommend that students who take at least 12 credits take a Greek language class that is appropriate to their level. Students who demonstrate Greek fluency are not required to take Greek language. In addition, students in all sessions (except for Summer and Spring II sessions) are required to take one course from an approved list of Greek civilization and culture courses as part of their semester course load.

Students then choose other courses from the schedule of classes for total number of credits by session as below:

- Fall and Spring I: 12-15 credits
- Spring II: 6 credits
- Spring I & II: 18-21 credits
- Spring II & Summer: 12-15 credits
- Summer: 3 or 6 credits

Students may take additional credits above what is shown above after approval by paying The American College of Thessaloniki additional tuition per credit.

[See Tentative Course Offerings for all current terms at ACT here.](#)



**Credits:** Credits vary depending on the selected program

**Instructor's Language:** English, other than language courses

## Student Life & Housing

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The American College of Thessaloniki offers study abroad students off-campus accommodation in downtown Thessaloniki. Rooms and studios in apartment complexes are all fully furnished (including kitchen appliances in individual studios or in common areas), and are assigned on a first-come-first-served basis. Both single and double-occupancy options exist. Off-campus housing locations are well served by the city's reliable bus system with buses running at 10-15 minute intervals. In addition, during the fall and spring semesters the college provides free bus service in a morning run (picks up students from their residence) and an evening run (drops them off at their residence).

Extracurricular activities are an important part of the program, including cross-cultural orientation programs, excursions, museum visits, archaeological digs, dance classes, and student clubs. Excursions may include Athens, Vergina-Dion, Meteora and Mount A.

### Field Trips & Excursions

For the **semester** program, in addition to tours of Thessaloniki, two out-of-town field trips are organized. In previous semesters, CCIS students have taken a day trip to Vergina (during orientation) and a weekend trip to Athens (around the middle of the semester). Excursions are subject to change.

The Field Trip Club (probably the most popular ACT club) organizes a number of field trips during the semester. ACT partially subsidizes these trips, but participants also contribute an amount depending on total participation. The Mountaineering Club also organizes trips, including a Mt. Olympus climb every fall. Student contributions for these field trips range from 40-150 euros per person and include transportation and lodging.

For the **summer session** program, a two- or three-day hosted field trip to one of the nearby Greek Islands is planned to offer students an opportunity for rest and relaxation. In addition, other the program helps students attend numerous cultural events and activities that show off Thessaloniki's exceptional and varied cuisine, exciting nightlife, outstanding museums, and astonishing examples of Roman and Byzantine architecture. Activities are organized throughout the summer.

See the [ACT Field Trip brochure here](#).

### Academic Societies, Artistic Ensembles, Recreational Clubs and Publications

A Clubs Fair is hosted by all ACT organizations at the beginning of each term so students may become familiar and choose clubs or activities that best suit their personal interests. ACT has many active student organizations including the History and International Society, Marketing Society, Ecology Club, Drama Club, Fitness Courses, Riding Club, Creative Writing Society, Newspaper, Student Council, and Intramural Athletic Activities. Each organization meets weekly and is advised by a faculty member. These activities are open to CCIS study abroad students and their participation is especially welcomed.

### Student Events

ACT students along with faculty organize educational talks, social programs and conferences throughout the year.

Recent events have included the following:

- Dialogue with the U.S. Ambassador
- Globalization Conference
- World Harvard Model UN in Athens

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**Please note** - Non-CUNY & CUNY Non-New York State Resident students who plan to take more than 12 credits contact the program study abroad advisor to confirm program cost. The program costs below may not apply.

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**Costs included:** Tuition (number of credits varies by session, as below \*), fees, housing (double), field trips, pre-departure & on-site orientations, sickness & accident insurance. Students through CCIS do not have pay the ACT housing security deposit.

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**Costs not included:** Airfare (\$1000-1400), books (\$230-350), meals (\$300-500 per month), personal (\$250-700 per month), visa (\$100, US students need if stay is more than 90 days), Resident permit (\$385, plus \$435 deposit that can be fully recouped), Single room supplemental charge (Fall or Spring I - \$520; Spring II - \$310; Spring I & II - \$740; Spring II & Summer: \$520). Credits beyond the amount listed above may be paid direct to ACT at \$340 / credit.

\*Amounts are average and minimal. Students must budget additional money if they plan to do independent travel in Greece.

All costs, fees, and dates are subject to change without notification. Contact the program sponsor to verify all costs, fees, and dates for this program.

Please refer to your acceptance materials for information on arrival, orientation, and academic calendar. The refund policy is program specific and non-transferable. Refer to your acceptance materials for the comprehensive refund policy or contact the program sponsor.

## Eligibility & Deadlines

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### Eligibility Requirements

- Minimum class standing - students must have completed at least one semester (minimum 12 semester credit hours) of college-level coursework at the time of application.
- 2.5 GPA or higher
- Students must be at least 18 years of age

### Applications to Include

- Official transcripts
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher who knows the applicant from a classroom setting
- Statement of purpose

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Fall - March 15

Have you talked with your study abroad advisor about your home institution's application process? Your institution's deadline might be earlier than the CCIS program application deadline. Check now to make sure all of your material is submitted on time!