

OPPORTUNITIES TO STUDY IN GREECE

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One of the best ways for our offspring to establish and maintain contact with our **Hellenic** heritage is for them to visit Greece. The beneficial results of such a visit are enhanced if they can combine fun with business, and “**business**” can include study, especially improving their knowledge of the **Greek language** and **culture**.

Fortunately, there are many **high school** and **college level** programs, mostly but not exclusively in the summer months, which are open and available to **Greek-American students**, sometimes offering **scholarships** or staying at a subsidized facility or camp. Some are run or subsidized by the Greek Government, educational institutions, Churches, whereas others are operated privately. The programs often combine instructional component with a beautiful, often island, location. Such programs **offer academic credit** that is recognized by American schools where the students are regularly enrolled.

The enormous choice a student has can be seen in the electronic sites of universities and even high schools. Princeton University compiles annually and publishes in its website, <http://www.princeton.edu/~hellenic/>, all the offerings in **Hellenic Studies**, including contact information for study programs and opportunities for research, internships, and work in Greece. For information on funding study or travel, there is a section on financing such studies in the **Mediterranean** in general and Greece in particular.

By the way, let me mention that I, as a Professor of Law, have taught courses, for the better part of the last **20 years**, at summer programs offered in different parts of Greece (*Thessaloniki, Athens, Komotini, plus the islands of Crete, Rodos, Spetses, Skopelos,*), programs that are credited by Tulane, Capital, or Temple Law Schools. A good number of **Greek-American** students attended these and have reported that they benefited both technically and culturally.



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Central Ohio students can also apply to the Greek Olympic Society and/or to the Big Brothers for aid. For additional information on summer programs, you may get in touch with OSU Prof. Gregory Jurdanis at jurdanis.1@osu.edu .