

## ORGANIZER

The University of Graz, represented by the Vice Rectorate for International Relations, in cooperation with the Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community (COMECE) and the Diocese Graz-Seckau.

## AIMS

Interdisciplinary co-operation of teachers and students on the cultural, intellectual and historical dimensions of current European affairs in view of Europe's positioning in a globalized world.

## OBJECTIVES

Developing and educating young leaders of tomorrow in the fields of politics, administration, business, science and religion.

## COSTS

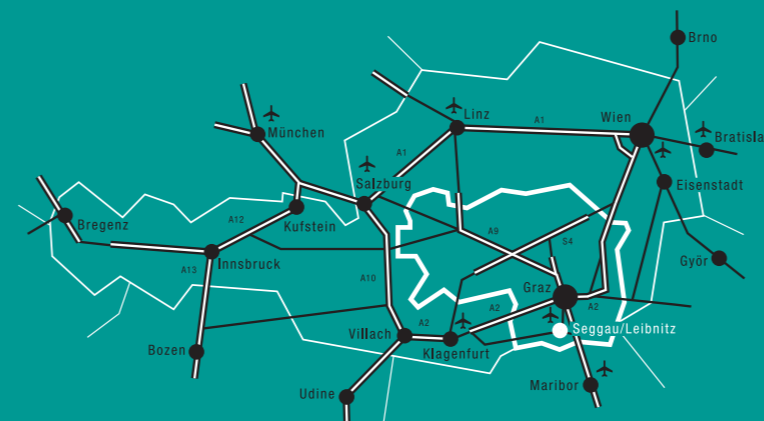
The total student participation fee is € 1.300 covering course costs, tuition, room & board for the entire two weeks. Scholarships are available and will be awarded upon nomination for the program. When being nominated, students from the countries of South-Eastern Europe only pay € 300; all other students pay € 450 for the whole program. Travel arrangements have to be made and paid for individually.

## WHAT THE SUMMER SCHOOL OFFERS

- 2-week summer university with a campus atmosphere at Seggau castle
- 6 ECTS transfer (for participation and seminar paper)
- 6 parallel seminar modules and 2 series of morning & evening lectures
- Discussions and studies with international lecturers and experts from the respective fields
- All-inclusive-package (tuition fee, meals, accommodation)

## VENUE / SEGGAU CASTLE

The venue of the summer school is "Seggau Castle" located 45 km south of Graz (<http://seggau.com>).



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# INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL SEGGAU 2011



# US EUROPE

## Towards a Multicultural Continent

July 2<sup>nd</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> 2011

Seggau Castle | Leibnitz | Austria



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## KEYNOTE

US Europe – this title alludes to three associations: First, it is about European identity: we Europeans; we in Europe. This identity cannot only be defined with the cultural achievements of the past in mind, but it also requires dealing with heterogeneity and cosmopolitanism. Europe and what makes it unique have spread across the world, but elements of the world have also expanded into the towns and villages of Europe. Second, it is about the future shape of Europe, about the United States of Europe: What types are imaginable, and how can a future Europe be thought in its state form? It is not only a question of a European constitution, but also of the repertoire of possible ways of structuring it and of limiting the European configuration. Third, it is about Europe's position as part of a world system, and thus its relationship to others. Whereas the United States was traditionally an important partner for Europe, now new geo-political areas play a more important role. The Muslim world and "Chinindia" (China and India) have taken on new geopolitical importance. In this perspective, the question also has to be raised as to the special characteristics and future chances of Europe. Therefore, the question of Europe's positioning in a globalized world is also posed. This not only requires consideration of its own unique characteristics and location, but also reflection on the organizational structures and the definition of its role in the international system of powers. The usual topics, from migration to the ageing population, from identity to hybridity, from European statehood up to global empire, from the new phase of oppression to a world society, are incorporated into these questions.

*Roberta Maierhofer & Manfred Prisching, Academic Advisory Board*

## TARGET GROUP

The *International Summer School Seggau* is designed for internationally oriented students, who wish to deepen their understanding of current European affairs by studying and discussing European identity, the EU on its way towards a possible United States of Europe, and Europe's position as part of a global system.

## HOW THE SUMMER SCHOOL WORKS

Students will deal with the relevance of Europe/EU and its effect on global affairs by attending one of the following modules in the afternoon:

1. Law & Politics
2. Economy & Innovation
3. Society & Culture
4. History & Power
5. Ethics & Religion
6. Media & Communication

In addition to the seminar modules, all students will attend morning and evening lectures. First, lecturers and experts from the fields of the above mentioned modules will approach the overall topic from a cross-disciplinary perspective and then students will be asked to actively participate in a plenary discussion.

## MORE INFORMATION ONLINE:

<http://international.uni-graz.at/seggasummerschool>

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