



GRADUATE *then* CELEBRATE

GRADUATION TRIP
12 DAYS / 5 COUNTRIES

plus optional 5-day extension to Southern Italy & Greece
England - France - Italy - Vatican City - Greece

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MAY 14 - MAY 24, 2018
extended tour ends May 29

From \$2,845





Dear students and recent alumni:

The University of Kentucky Alumni Association is pleased to present a young alumni and graduation tour: Classic Europe. It offers the chance to visit Europe's must-see destinations. This trip is a metropolitan tour of Europe designed for graduating seniors, graduates of the past five years, their friends and travelers in the same age range of select peer institutions.

The Classic Europe tour is a great value and offers:

- The opportunity for fun, hassle-free travel with other graduates*
- Insights into other people, places and cultures that will be a source of personal enrichment*
- Experiences that will broaden your world view and provide an advantage in today's global job market*
- A vacation to remember with your UK friends*

Travel offers unparalleled opportunities for hands-on learning. On the Classic Europe trip, there is time to enjoy London's amazing theatre; see great works of art at the largest museum in the world, the Louvre; walk through the millennia-old Colosseum, and swim in the Aegean Sea, then bask under the Grecian sun.

Education is a life-long process and worldwide travel is a great way to augment the education you have gained at the University of Kentucky. I hope you will be able to take advantage of this unique opportunity to travel with fellow graduates and extend your ties with UK.

Sincerely,

Stan Key
Stan R. Key '72
Traveling Wildcats Program Coordinator
UK Alumni Association

12-day base land package: \$2,845 *

ADD \$765 for the optional 5 - day extension

Rates are based on two people sharing one room. AESU can arrange a shared room with a same gender traveler at no additional cost. To guarantee a single room, supplements of \$795 for the 12 - day tour and \$325 for the 5 - day optional extension will apply.

**Special alumni land price per person. Airfare priced separately for greater flexibility. Please call AESU Alumni World Travel for great low airfares from most U.S. cities. Airport/departure taxes are additional and subject to change.*

WHAT DO I GET



COVERAGE

When you book your grad trip with us the necessities of travel are taken care of.

These include:

SUPERIOR TOURIST CLASS HOTELS
ALL LAND TRANSPORTATION
DAILY BREAKFAST
SPECIAL CULTURAL DINNERS
KNOWLEDGABLE TOUR DIRECTOR
MUSEUM PASSES, ADMISSIONS
LOCAL HISTORIANS

(See more in the inclusions on page 4)

EDUCATION & ADVENTURE

Whether you can't wait to immerse yourself in the beautiful sights of metropolitan Paris on the river cruise or you prefer to explore the ruins of Ancient Rome, this tour has you covered. Your grad trip provides a beautiful balance of historical education and complete sensory and cultural immersion into the vivacious life of every country visited along your route. Make countless memories with fellow graduates who have strong school spirit and an affinity for travel and exploration!

THE VERDICT?

Don't miss out on the opportunity of a lifetime to explore the places you have been dreaming of or reading about in your text books. Make new best friends from around the world and create memories that will keep this journey alive forever.

It's not rocket science, group travel is a safer way to explore the world. This trip provides you with an exciting approach to learning and taking in all the history and culture around you. Open your mind, see the world and have the most fun you've ever had.

EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS!

CLASSIC EUROPE

12 DAYS (plus an optional 5-day extension to Southern Italy & Greece)

COUNTRIES VISITED:

England - France - Italy - Vatican City - Greece

ABOUT THE TRIP:

Reward yourself for all your hard work with the ultimate escape. The Classic Europe tour offers you 17 days of exploration, adventure, and insight into many of Europe's most popular and breathtaking countries. The aptly named Classic Europe tour provides something for everyone, whether you're inclined to engage with locals on the London pub crawl, seek adventure parasailing in the Greek Isles, or you prefer to photograph the majesty of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris or follow in historical footsteps in the Roman Forum and the 2000 year old Parthenon in Athens. The beauty of this journey is the balance of fun excursions, time at leisure and fascinating looks into history and ancient territories. This leaves our tour goers with a well-rounded experience and an open mind, not to mention memories and new friends to last a lifetime. Make the Classic Europe tour your summer getaway, unleash your inner adventurer.

HIGHLIGHTS:

Welcome orientation * Guided Tour of London's Pomp & Pageantry * Eurostar train from London to Paris * French bistro dinner * Seine River cruise * Paris 2 - day museum pass * Guided tour of Paris * Tour of Versailles Palace * High-speed trains * Queen Resort of the Cote d'Azur, Nice * French Riviera brasserie dinner * Guided visit of Rome and Vatican City * Roma pass * Pizza & Pasta Parties * Optional extension: Tour of the Pompeii Archeological site * Overnight ship to Greece * Greek Island Center activities, including swimming, sunbathing and special Greek dinners & BBQ * Bike ride * Toga party * Athens Acropolis and Plaka district * Farewell Greek taverna dinner...AND MUCH MORE!

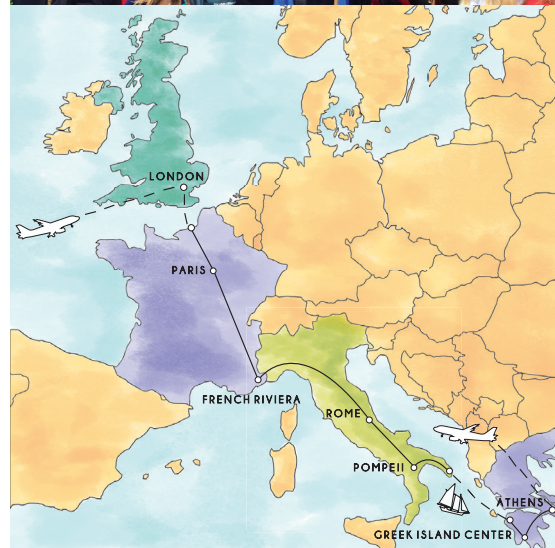
OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

(Not included in package price)

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| Paris, France | - | French cabaret show |
| French Riviera | - | Excursion to Monte Carlo & Cannes* |
| Rome, Italy | - | Wine tasting tour at Frascati |
| Isle of Poros, Greece | - | Excursion to the Isle of Hydra (17-day tour only) |

Please check with your tour director for detailed schedules. Some options may require a minimum number of participants to operate. Rates for options are per person, approximate and subject to change.

* Does not operate during Monte Carlo Grand Prix



WHAT'S INCLUDED:

The 12-day land package includes:

- 10 nights in superior tourist class hotels or better, 2-share rooms with private bath/shower
- Daily continental breakfast
- 4 three-course specialty dinners
- EUROSTAR train from London to Paris
- High-speed TGV train from Paris to Nice
- Train from the French Riviera to Rome
- Guided tours in London, Paris, and Rome led by a local historian
- Seine River cruise
- Tour of Versailles Palace
- Tour of Fragorard Museum
- 2-day Paris museum pass
- Roma pass (full access to public transport system, reduced admission to museums, music events, theater, etc.)
- Admission: Colosseum & Forum as part of Roma pass

The 5-day Southern Italy & Greece extension includes:

- 5 nights in superior tourist class hotels or better, 2-share rooms with private bath/shower
 - including overnight on ship from Italy to Greece (4-share cabins)
- Daily continental breakfast
- 4 three-course specialty dinners
- Bike ride on the Isle of Poros
- Toga party
- Guided tours in Pompeii and Athens led by a local historian
- Admission: Pompeii excavations and Acropolis

PLUS:

- Private tour director for the entire duration of the land tour
- All scheduled sightseeing
- All intra-European transportation by air-conditioned motor coach and train as per itinerary
- All service charges and local taxes
- Luggage tag and travel guides
- Included tour highlights

CLASSIC EUROPE ITINERARY

DAY 1 TRAVEL TO LONDON

Embark on your overnight flight to London.

Meals: In-flight

DAY 2 LONDON

Enjoy a free afternoon to relax and unwind. In the evening, we'll have our welcome orientation followed by a fun London pub crawl.

Meals: In-flight

DAY 3 LONDON

Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, and Piccadilly Circus: These familiar names become familiar places on our morning tour of London. During an afternoon at leisure, browse the many food, craft and clothing stalls at popular Camden Market, walk in the footsteps of Harry Potter at Leadenhall Market aka Diagon Alley or take a ride on the London Eye for a birds-eye view of the city and the opportunity to take great photographs. After dusk, consider taking in some Shakespeare at the Globe Theater by the Thames River or attending a West End show.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4 LONDON * EUROSTAR TRAIN TO PARIS

Travel through the "Chunnel" below the English Channel, to Paris. Our local art historian shows us the Arc de Triomphe, the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral and Place de la Concorde, where the guillotine once stood. Tonight, dine on French specialties at our bistro dinner. Afterward, we take a romantic cruise down the river Seine.

Meals: Breakfast, French bistro dinner

DAY 5 PARIS

France has been a world center of the perfume industry since Louis XIV's court at Versailles was known as "le cour parfumeé." Join us this morning for a visit to the Fragonard Perfume Museum, located in a 19th century mansion from the era Napoleon III and learn about the art of perfume manufacturing from ancient times. We then travel to the Palace of Versailles, well known as France's famed Sun King, Louis XIV's, residence. Our museum pass gives us access to the Hall of Mirrors, the King's Grand Chambers and more. Marvel at the sheer size of the palace, one of the most beautiful castles in the world with an astonishing 700 rooms. The afternoon is free to explore the 'City of Lights' and our tour director is happy to offer free-time suggestions. Consider an optional can-can cabaret show this evening.

Meals: Breakfast

Optional activity: French cabaret show

DAY 6 PARIS

Enjoy a free day in Paris. Your included 2-day museum pass allows access to over 70 museums and monuments in and around Paris including the world famous Louvre, housing the Mona Lisa, Musée d'Orsay and Musée National Picasso.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7 PARIS * HIGH-SPEED TRAIN TO FRENCH RIVIERA

This morning, the TGV high-speed train takes us from Paris to Nice, Queen Resort of the Côte d'Azur. Enjoy your free afternoon on picturesque beaches along the rugged Mediterranean coastline, stroll promenades lined with chic boutiques, or unwind at a sidewalk café. The thriving local art scene and buzzing nightlife is yours to discover after tonight's brasserie dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, French brasserie dinner

DAY 8 FRENCH RIVIERA

Enjoy a free day on the dazzling French Riviera. Relax on the beach, paddle in the azure sea, or sip on a smooth cocktail beneath swaying palms. Consider exploring Nice to visit the magnificent Palais Lascaris, the Cathédrale de Sainte Réparate and harbors filled with opulent yachts. Or, you may opt to join our excursion to Monaco, where Prince Rainier married Hollywood actress Grace Kelly, and glitzy Cannes, known for its famous International Film Festival.

Meals: Breakfast

Optional activity: Excursion to Monte Carlo & Cannes

DAY 9 FRENCH RIVIERA * TRAIN TO ROME

Our journey takes us along the scenic Côte d'Azur's sun-splashed beaches. We cross the border into Italy at Ventimiglia and continue along the coast to Genoa, where we switch to the high speed 'Le Freccie' train whisking us to Rome this afternoon. Check in to our hotel and enjoy the remainder of the afternoon at leisure exploring Rome. Tonight, join us for our pasta party. Following dinner, perhaps walk to Piazza Navona, one of the city's most beautiful baroque squares and try the local gelati.

Meals: Breakfast, Pasta party

DAY 10 ROME * VATICAN CITY

This morning, we explore Capitoline Hill with the most spectacular view of Caesar's Roman Forum, center of political and social activity, with ancient ruins dating from the 8th century BC. Also see Nero's Circus Maximus where chariot races were held. A trip across the Tiber River takes us to Vatican City - the world's smallest state. Visit St. Peter's Basilica housing Michelangelo's magnificent "Pietà." During afternoon free time you may want to use your Roma Pass to visit the Colosseum, where gladiators fought to the death.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 11 ROME

The entire day is free for exploring the Eternal City. Shop on Via Condotti, or visit more of the historical and artistic sights in the city. Have fun tonight at our tasty 'Viva Italia' pizza party in Trastevere, the perfect spot to get a glimpse of the old world while still enjoying the lifestyle of today's Romans.

Meals: Breakfast, Pizza party

Optional activity: Frascati wine tasting tour

DAY 12 ROME * TRAVEL HOME - or continue on to POMPEII * OVERNIGHT SHIP TO GREECE

For some of us the celebratory tour of Europe ends in Rome this morning. Bid farewell to friends and "arrivederci" to Italy before jetting back home with memories to last a lifetime. For the rest of us: sunny olive groves line the way south to Pompeii. Under the shadow of Vesuvius, the volcano that buried this ancient city in 79 AD, explore the excavated wonders including homes, markets and temples that remain intact, and streets that still bear the marks of chariot wheels from 2,000 years ago. Afterwards, we cross the Italian "boot" and board our overnight ship to Greece.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 13, 14, 15 GREEK ISLAND CENTER

After cruising through aquamarine waters, our ship docks at Patras. Motor along the Corinthian Sea coastline, across the Peloponnese peninsula to Galatas and the island of Poros. Relax with three days of living like a Greek god or goddess - swim, sunbathe, or take part in optional activities such as waterskiing, wakeboarding, parasailing, banana-boating or tubing. We invite everyone to our Toga Party on the last night.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner daily

Optional activity: Excursion to the Isle of Hydra

DAY 16 ATHENS

In the morning we board our ferry to Athens. See the 2,400-year-old Parthenon, the Temple of Olympian Zeus and Constitution Square. A free afternoon may find us wandering the paths of Plato, Socrates and Sophocles or trying our bargaining skills at the markets of Monastiraki. This evening follow the sounds of traditional bouzouki music and join our farewell taverna dinner in the Plaka District - Athens' oldest neighborhood at the foot of the Acropolis.

Meals: Breakfast, Greek taverna dinner

DAY 17 TRAVEL HOME

Reluctantly we say farewell to Europe and new-found friends. Jet back home with thoughts of planning the next European Adventure!

Meals: Breakfast, In-flight

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

BEFORE YOU GO

HOW DO I BOOK?

Booking your trip is easy! To make your reservation click the "CHECK AVAILABILITY" button on any trip page to book your trip online, or you can call us at 1.800-638-7640 if you have any questions.

DO I NEED A PASSPORT? A VISA?

Travel to EUROPE: If you are an American or Canadian citizen, you only need a passport. The easiest way to get a passport is through your local post office, county court house, or passport agency. When applying, be sure to take with you: your genuine birth certificate, which includes the registrar's signature and a raised seal; two recent photographs that are 2" x 2", full face view, black/white or color; and ID, like your driver's license. You may need a Visa for our tours if you are not an American or Canadian citizen. If you are a citizen of another country, you must contact the appropriate consulates for each nation on the itinerary, and you must obtain these visas on your own.

Travel BEYOND Europe: Check on Visa requirements (incl. American or Canadian citizens) with the respective consulate or embassy. Some countries may charge for a tourist visa on entry or a departure tax on leaving the country.

HOW MUCH MONEY WILL I NEED?

We recommend \$50-\$80 per day, depending on your spending habits. That money covers items of a personal nature, laundry, beverages with meals (except for coffee/tea at breakfast, water at dinner, and occasionally a glass of wine), meals not included on tour, and expenses for free-time activities (metro tickets, taxis, entrance fees). This amount does not include money for souvenir/gift shopping. We strongly recommend bringing a credit card (Visa, American Express, and Mastercard are the most widely accepted) as well as an ATM card. Check with your bank prior to departure to ensure your ATM card is usable overseas.

SHOULD I PURCHASE TRAVEL INSURANCE?

We highly recommend travel insurance. AESU also offers group travel insurance. Ask our reservations agent for details or click on this link: <https://www.tripassure.com/main/?welcome=AESU3922MD>.

HOW MUCH LUGGAGE SHOULD I TAKE?

Due to limited space on the tour motor coach, you may only bring ONE suitcase and ONE carry-on. Limit your suitcase size to no larger than 29" x 20" x 10" and your carry-on to no larger than 8" x 16" x 21". Check your airline's website for any additional luggage restrictions. Keep in mind that throughout the duration of the tour, you are responsible for your own luggage, so do not pack more than you can carry. Laundry facilities are available in major cities.

WHAT SHOULD I PACK?

The easiest way to make your tour stressful is to over pack! See more details in the Planning & Packing section on your trip's Toolbox pages. Download our suggested packing list.

WHAT ABOUT PACKING DOCUMENTS?

Never pack your passport! Always keep it with you. The same goes for cash and credit cards. Pack 2 extra passport photos if possible (in the event that you misplace your passport); photo copies of your passport's personal data pages, your flight itinerary and e-ticket information; a listing of your credit card; and copies of any personal IDs. This info will be extremely valuable should you lose any actual documents. Always keep actual documents on your person, and never in your checked suitcase.

PLANNING YOUR TRIP

WHAT ARE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS LIKE?

European trips: We stay in superior tourist class hotels, 3-star or 4-star, all with private bath/shower. Our hotels have been especially selected for their European atmosphere, friendly hospitality, cleanliness and location. TOUR ROOMING POLICY: AESU & AESU Alumni World Travel Graduation tours: All rates based on per/person 2-share basis. Two persons booking together as roommates receive a 2-share room. Solo travelers will be accommodated in a 2-share room, depending on availability. This share basis means, if you travel on your own, you do NOT have to pay a single supplement.* The overnight ship from Italy to Greece offers 4-share cabins. Some tour companies offer budget programs that stay in remote cabin campsites utilizing sleeping bags or occasional hotels with 4 or more sharing a room with no bath. We do NOT believe that this is the best way to spend a night in Europe. You'll be furnished a complete hotel address list with your final documents. Properties are subject to change and any substitutions would be the equivalent of those listed. *Single supplement only applies if single accommodations are requested.

I DON'T HAVE A ROOMMATE, WHAT DO I DO?

European trips: Going solo is not a problem with AESU. Many of our participants don't have a travel companion when booking a trip. If you're traveling alone, we will arrange for you to share a room (same gender) at NO EXTRA COST. Our hotels are superior tourist class, ALL with private bath/shower. Usual accommodations are two sharing a room, however, if you prefer to stay in a single room, our reservations agent can make arrangements for a single at the applicable single supplement rate. (See above regarding exceptions.)

I KNOW SOME MEALS ARE INCLUDED, BUT WHAT ABOUT SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?

Tours include breakfast daily, lunches & dinner as per itinerary. If you are a vegetarian, or have special dietary needs, please inform your tour director as soon as you arrive. All included meals are pre-paid, so a substitute meal is always up to the goodwill of the establishment. We cannot guarantee that all special requests will be granted, but, in the past, most restaurants have been cooperative. Please keep in mind that substitute meals may not be as varied as they are at home.

DO I NEED ANY VACCINATIONS?

Check with your doctor or the CDC (www.cdc.gov/travel) to find out if vaccinations are required. If you suffer from any form of illness be sure to have an adequate supply of medicines before departing on your trip. You must advise us of any important medical condition you may have before departure.

DOES AESU SUPPORT ECO TRAVEL?

Every traveler shares a common responsibility to preserve our planet's environment and respect its people. AESU enthusiastically endorses ASTA's 10 Commandments, which effectively reaffirm that responsibility. Let's live by these commandments, to ensure our world's beauty is preserved for our generation and for generations to come. Thank you for the opportunity to travel together and to discover our remarkable world in a responsible manner. Over a decade ago AESU founded "TRAVEL FOR GOOD" — many years before large travel companies became active in environmental travel.

Link to US State Department Travel Website
<http://travel.state.gov/content/travel/english.html>

FOR MORE FAQ'S VISIT OUR WEBSITE

BOOKING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

EXCLUSIONS: These prices do not include passport and, if applicable, visa fees (Depending on your nationality, you may require visas in addition to a passport to enter certain countries. You must contact appropriate consulates for details on how to obtain on your own.); airport and government taxes; tipping of tour guide and driver (suggested \$5 per day for tour director, \$3 per day for driver); beverages with meals unless indicated otherwise; laundry; personal insurance; room service; telephone charges; all items of a personal nature; airport transfers when a participant deviates from scheduled flights or travel dates; private transportation; and all items not specifically stated in the itinerary.

CANCELLATION POLICY EUROPE: All cancellations must be received by AESU in writing. All cancellations for any reason whatsoever will be subject to a \$300 per person cancellation fee. Date of receipt will determine penalties assessed. In addition to \$300, cancellation between 60-31 days of departure will result in forfeiture of 25% of tour cost; between 30-16 days 40%. Cancellation within 16 days of departure or a "no-show" at the time of departure will result in forfeiture of the entire cost of the trip. AIRFARES are highly restrictive, NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-ENDORSABLE and NON-TRANSFERABLE once ticketed. Once reservation is booked and paid for AESU reserves the right to issue tickets. Once ticketed, airfare portion is non-refundable. Cancellation of airfare reservations is subject to restrictions, regulations and additional penalties of the airlines used. Reservation changes are also subject to penalties. Medical health and accident insurance is compulsory. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR POSSIBLE ADDITIONS TO CANCELLATION POLICIES LISTED ABOVE DEPENDING ON TRIP DESTINATION. AIRPORT TRANSFERS & BAGGAGE: All participants using AESU flights on regular group departure days and flights receive airport transfers (between airport & tour hotel) overseas. Land-Only participants (providing own flight overseas) do NOT receive airport transfers and must meet group at the first hotel after 2:00 p.m. on program start date. FLIGHT DELAYS – ALL AIRPORTS: In the event that airline schedule changes or delays force you to miss your airport transfer, just make your way to the first hotel listed on your hotel list. Many shuttle services are available as well as taxi or train options. As airline delays are beyond the control of AESU, additional expenses, if incurred, will be borne by the tour participant. (Save receipts for possible reimbursement by airline.) AESU is not responsible if an airline cancels, reschedules, or delays a flight for any reason. If you miss your departure flight, it is your responsibility to work with the airline on which you are ticketed to reach your destination. AESU is not responsible for any additional expenses you may incur prior to joining your trip. AESU is not responsible for and will not provide any refund for portions of trips missed due to canceled, rescheduled, or delayed flights. If you purchase your own airfare, book your overnight flight from the USA one day earlier than the tour start date listed on our website. Participants should limit themselves to one checked bag per person and one carry-on per person. Check your airline's website for any additional luggage restrictions. Liability is clearly stated on the passenger contract. RESPONSIBILITY: The responsibility of AESU as a tour operator, their agents, and any sponsoring entity is limited. They act only in the capacity of agents for the passenger in all matters pertaining to accommodations, sightseeing and transportation whether by railroad, motorboat, motorcar, steamship or plane, and as such they shall not be liable for any personal injury, death, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned, whether by reason of any defect in any vehicle, or through the acts or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger, or in carrying out the arrangement of the tour. They can accept no responsibility for strike, war, quarantine, weather and any other natural or unnatural causes. Additional expenses, if incurred under any of these circumstances, will be borne by the tour participant. By forwarding the deposit, the passenger certifies that he/she has no physical, mental or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for himself/ herself or other passengers & accepts the terms of this contract. The right is reserved to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour or to cancel or alter the tour as required. If improvements in the itinerary can be made, or unforeseen conditions beyond AESU's control make changes necessary, they reserve the right to alter itineraries without penalty. Trip cancellation insurance should be purchased by the individual traveler in the event cancellation of the tour is compelled by circumstances beyond our control. In the event of cancellation due to insufficient number of participants, AESU's liability shall be limited to a FULL REFUND of all payments received from applicants, except non-refundable airfare and insurance. Baggage and personal injury are at owner's risk entirely. The issuance or acceptance of vouchers or tickets shall be considered consent of the above conditions. AESU reserves the right to increase the program price in the event of cost increases due to changes in airfares, currency fluctuations or fuel surcharges. The airlines concerned and their affiliates and agents are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board the aircrafts. The passenger ticket in use by said airlines, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of these tickets and/or the passenger. All services are subject to the laws of the country in which these services are rendered. No refund or allowance will be made for absence during the tour, or for activities missed, even if for causes beyond the control of the participant. For complete terms & conditions, please refer to our web site at www.aesu.com.