

invites you on a

Greek and Dutch Adventure



Join Professors Beth Stapleton, Debbie Norris, and Ivan Parke on a **Greek and Dutch Adventure** tour during MC's 2018 Spring Break. Departure is Wednesday, March 7 with return on Friday, March 16. This trip is open to all MC students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community friends. Participants may select courses for college credit or participate as a non-credit enrollee.

Classes are offered in conjunction with the trip at the graduate and undergraduate level. Please contact Dr. Stapleton (<u>stapleto@mc.edu</u>) for specific class information. Enrollees may take no more than 4 hours. Those enrolled for credit must attend the class meeting at 6:00 pm each Tuesday from January 23 to February 25 (Sunday) and complete all other requirements as designated by the instructor. Scholarship applications are available on the MC Spring Break trip website <u>www.mc.edu/academics/study-abroad/spring-break/</u> on a first come, first served basis and should be submitted to Dr. Stapleton (<u>stapleto@mc.edu</u>). Students should check with the professors first and then register as usual for the Spring class. <u>You must be enrolled in a Spring Break class to qualify for the scholarship.</u>

Non-credit enrollees are not required to attend any of the classes, but are strongly encouraged to do so because of the general travel/tourist information discussed and the meaningful background information about the history, culture and literature of the area provided.

# Itinerary Overview: (Meals included are B= Breakfast; D= Dinner)

## Day 1) Wednesday, March 7: TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT

Overnight flight from Jackson via Atlanta to Athens. Food and beverages are served on the plane. Enjoy your flight! We're off!

#### Day 2) Thursday, March 8: ATHENS

After a late arrival in Athens, we check into our hotel for our three-night stay. Start the adventure with a welcome dinner in the colourful Plaka district. **D** 

#### Day 3) Friday, March 9: ATHENS



Following breakfast, we begin our full day of touring in Athens. We will visit the major sites with a city tour and get to know our expert local guide. We will see the Acropolis Museum and the Athens Archaeological Museum as part of the in depth tour. **B** 

#### Day 4) Saturday, March 10: EXCURSION TO DELPHI

After breakfast, we board our bus and travel along the panoramic route from Athens to Delphi. Delphi is the site of the well-known Apollo Temple, dating back to the 4<sup>th</sup> century BC. We will see the ancient stadium and theatre on the excursion today as well. We return to Athens late afternoon for dinner on your own. **B** 

#### Days 5) Sunday, March 11: ATHENS

Have a hearty breakfast before beginning your free day in Athens. This is your day to explore this amazing city on your own. Shop in the Plaka Area, enjoy the local cafes, and try souvlaki in a Greek tavern with a large pita. Take time to see other museums and the modern part of Athens, like Omonia square. Make time to take the funicular up to the top of Lycabettus Hill for amazing views of the city! If available, take a short Greek island cruise to see the crystal clear blue waters. **B** 





## Day 6) Monday, March 12: ATHENS to OLYMPIA to NAFPLIO

After breakfast, we will travel across the Canal of Corinth, following the Ionian Sea to Patras then on to Olympia for a full morning of amazing sites. In the afternoon, we continue through the Pelepones to the ancient site of Mycenae. We check into the hotel for our last night in Greece in the beautiful city of Nafplio. After checking in, we will conclude the day with a "Farewell to Greece" dinner in a typical tavern nearby. **B**,**D** 

#### Day 7) Tuesday, March 13: NAFPLIO to EPIDAURUS to Airport

Have a pleasant morning in the harbour town of Nafplio then board the bus to travel to the nearby Epidaurus for a view of the most amazing Greek theatre. After the visit, we will transfer to the Athens airport for our afternoon flight to Amsterdam. Upon arrival in Amsterdam, we will meet our local guide and transfer to our city hotel for the three-night stay. Enjoy a late dinner served at the hotel restaurant. **B**,**D** 

#### Day 8) Wednesday, March 14: AMSTERDAM

After a great night's rest and breakfast we start our full day of site seeing. Our local guide will do a comprehensive city tour to see all the city's major sites. In addition, we will take a boat cruise through the famous Amsterdam canals. After lunch, we will venture north to the quaint town of Volendam, located on the shores of the ljsselsea. On the return to Amsterdam, we will visit a local cheese farm and a Dutch clog maker to learn about some of the long-time traditions in this culture. Dinner is on your own when you return to town. **B** 



#### Day 9) Thursday, March 15: AMSTERDAM

Today is your day to explore the city on your own. Visit many of the wonderful museums, like the Van Gogh or Rembrandt. Visit the Anne Frank house and learn more about her life and journey. Enjoy shopping in one of the most beautiful European cities, walking along the picturesque canals. In the evening, we will have a farewell dinner with the group to say goodbye. **B**, **D** 

## Day 10) Friday, March 16: FLIGHT TO U.S.A.

The departing flight leaves mid-morning for the USA.

#### TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Round-trip airfare from Jackson to Athens/ Amsterdam to Jackson
- Transfers to and from airports and hotels
- Sightseeing by deluxe motor coach and walking tours with local guides
- 8-night stay in 4 and 5-star hotels in city center.
- Full breakfast each morning
- Tips and gratuities for guide and driver
- 4 group dinners
- Entrance fees to included sites and excursions with group

#### PRICE:

\$ 3375 per person in double room (Single rooms are available with single supplement fee+ \$700)
Deposit of \$600 (non-refundable) is due October 1, 2017, to hold your spot.
Next payment of \$1500 is due November 1, 2017.
Final payment of \$1275 is due December 1, 2017.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** If credit card is used for payments, an additional 5% is added to cost of each payment. It is processed as a cash payment to our agency and is because we have negotiated airfare for group to travel together.

**CANCELLATION:** Cancellation from the tour any time after enrollment will result in a loss of your \$600 deposit. After the first payment has been made, cancellation from 90 days to 55 days prior to departure, will result in a charge of 50% of price. If trip is canceled after December 1, 2017, the entire fee of \$3375 will be lost. Optional trip insurance for cancellation/medical protection is available if desired. See Stapleton for information on this trip insurance.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Airfare is based on a special group fare roundtrip Jackson to Athens. Amsterdam to Jackson. Deviations from itinerary will result in additional expenses.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Passports (required), baggage handling, expenses resulting from accident or illness; loss of or damage to luggage; optional sightseeing; after hours transportation while not with group; meals not listed as included; items of a personal nature.

# We are accepting deposits now, so enroll <u>TODAY</u>!!

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

Please make checks payable to **Mississippi College** and submit with deposit to Continuing Education (213 Nelson Hall) or mail to: Continuing Education, Box 4031, Clinton MS 39058. **Future payments will be made directly to booking agency and address will be sent upon receiving deposit.** 

Enclosed is **\$600** non-refundable deposit for **MC Greek and Dutch Adventure Tour**, March 7-16, 2018.

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If no roommate is available, single supplement is required. When application is received, you will be notified of acceptance or deposit will be returned if tour is filled. Enrollment is limited to **33** for this tour. First 33 with \$600 nonrefundable deposit will be selected.