



CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES

Interdisciplinary research and education that improves the understanding of modern, integrated Europe

The University of Michigan's Center for European Studies (CES), a constituent of the International Institute and the Weiser Center for Europe and Eurasia, is a multi-disciplinary research, education, and outreach program dedicated to improving understanding of modern Europe through the promotion of research and education. In collaboration with units across U-M, and institutions of higher education in the U.S. and Europe, CES explores the historical and contemporary processes of integration that are visible in European society, politics, economy, and culture. CES sponsors visits by scholars, artists, and policy-makers from Europe and facilitates their interaction with U-M faculty and students. The affiliated faculty of CES are renowned for their interdisciplinary approach to the analysis of social, economic, and political transformations, and this makes U-M an ideal place for European studies.

The Center for European Studies brings together more than 100 faculty members who teach and conduct research on modern Europe and the European Union. Their backgrounds range from history to languages and literatures, political science to professional studies, especially law. CES awards summer research and internship grants and Jean Monnet Graduate Fellowships. It benefits from the university's libraries, which contain more than 800,000 Europe-focused titles in English and more than 700,000 in other languages. The center also offers an interdisciplinary minor in Modern European Studies for undergraduates and an interdisciplinary graduate certificate in European and European Union Studies for graduate students. We organize lectures, conferences, and film series and also administer the European Union Institute Visiting Scholar Program.

Gifts to the Center for European Studies ensure the program's growth and continuing excellence and will assure that U-M students will have an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of Europe. Endowed funding, as well as expendable support for annual lectures, film series, exhibitions, and other cultural programs, builds interest on campus and enables us to provide valuable support for our students.

ANNUAL LECTURESHIP

The center's successful Annual Distinguished Lecture on Europe brings a senior scholar to U-M for a public lecture. Securing funding of an endowed gift of \$250,000 or \$10,000 expendable for this event will help maintain the high quality of this important series.

GRADUATE SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN EUROPEAN STUDIES

CES seeks funds to offer graduate research fellowships each year to enable students to conduct focused summer research in contemporary or historical issues relating to Europe. As the demand for graduate student research support grows, CES seeks to offer students funding through annual competitions for summer research and internships in Europe. Each graduate fellowship award provides students with \$5,000 for a summer of research support and can be supported by endowed gifts of \$500,000 or \$20,000 expendable.

CES STRATEGIC FUND

Gifts of all sizes to the Center for European Studies Strategic Fund ensure the program's growth and continuing excellence and will assure that U-M students have an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of Europe. The CES Strategic Fund supports student fellowships, research, internships, and study abroad opportunities.

UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER FELLOWSHIPS FOR RESEARCH AND INTERNSHIPS IN EUROPE

CES seeks funds to continue its successful summer fellowships program, which funds students from the entire U-M campus for summer research or internship projects. The grants are intended to promote the study of Europe and European integration through experiential learning and global engagement. An investment of \$500,000 endowed or \$20,000 expendable will provide these experiences, which greatly benefit students' future careers.



“During my summer internship with HEC Paris, I was exposed to a variety of different topics in business taught by renowned experts and staff. This internship allowed me to gain a better real-world understanding of business and basic data analysis—which allowed me to transition smoothly into my major in Information.”

—Ryan Berger, senior at the U-M School of Information pursuing a B.S. in Information



NAMED ENDOWED CENTER

Naming the Center for European Studies with an endowment of \$5M will provide the needed funding to continue our public programming, including the Annual Distinguished Lecture on Europe, and enhance faculty and student-led research projects by supporting those with summer fellowships and the competitive Jean Monnet graduate fellowship in European studies. At a time when the university is committed to build a greater global presence by encouraging students and faculty to engage with scholars and institutions in other parts of the world, the majority of U-M students who study abroad choose to do so in Europe. A named center will ensure that CES continues to meet the needs of our students and the faculty and provide unique opportunities for their intellectual and professional development.

WAYS TO FUND YOUR GIFT

Your gifts of cash, pledges, or appreciated securities change lives. Wills, estate, and planned gifts allow you to create a lasting legacy that will enable the best and brightest minds to experience a liberal arts education, solve problems in a changing world, and yield ideas and innovations that will make a difference in Michigan and around the globe.

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