

# *the* **epic** ADVANTAGE

## **Student/Faculty Collaborative Research Experience**

### **EPIC ADVANTAGE: Wandering and Wondering: The Relationship between Place and Thought**

**Dates: May 15- June 7, 2019**

**Credit: 3 credits (credit/no credit)**

**Leaders: Ferit Güven, Kevin Miles**

**Application Deadline: October 15, 2018**



#### **Description of Experience and Research:**

The main objective of the project is to understand the relationship between philosophical thinking and physical space. By wandering through the sites where philosophical reflection has started in the manner we understand it in the Western world today, we will try to assess how philosophy remains grounded in a space with its productive as well as restrictive implications.

#### **Location:**

We will visit multiple sites in Turkey including Assos, Ephesus, Miletus and Istanbul.

#### **Faculty:**

**Ferit Güven**, Professor of Philosophy has led the Germany/Austria program as well as other programs to Germany, France and the Earlham Turkey May Term in 2012. He studied in an Austrian High School and conducts research in German philosophy, literature and film. Ferit specializes in 19th and 20th century continental philosophy, social and political philosophy, and postcolonial theory.

**Kevin Miles**, Professor of Philosophy classes span centuries, continents, and languages -drawing on texts from "Antigone" to "Are You My Mother?" Kevin also teaches Film Studies, and often incorporates films into his seminars for first-year students. Kevin regularly presents his research, and serves on the faculty advisory committee for the humanities research semester at Newberry Library in Chicago.

#### **Expectations for Students:**

Students will participate in a 1-credit orientation course in the Spring 2019. Students will be expected to keep a research journal throughout the project and will be expected to share them with each other and a wider audience.



**Dates of Experience:**

**May 15- June 5, 2019**

**Travel To and From Site:**

The program will start and end in Istanbul, Turkey.

**Application Dates:**

Applications can be received from students starting on Sept. 15, 2018. Application window closes on Oct. 15, 2018.

**Link to Application:**

Apply in Handshake.

**Preparation:**

Students will be required to take a 1 credit EPIC Advantage Orientation seminar during the Spring 2019 academic semester. This seminar will provide the necessary background and travel logistics for students to maximize the experience. Class meeting dates/times will be determined in the future.

**Student Eligibility:**

Rising Sophomores, rising juniors, rising seniors and May graduates are eligible to apply.

**Cost to Student:**

This experience is funded as an EPIC ADVANTAGE opportunity. Funding includes travel, room and board, and other expenses required by the program. Passports and immunizations as well as other personal expenses will be covered by students. Students who are accepted and withdraw after January 15, 2019 must reimburse the college for all expenses committed on their behalf.

**Program plans subject to change.**

**Program Policies:** <https://earlham.edu/academics/off-campus-study/program-policies/>