“I find myself talking about our trip to the Czech Republic with my graduate school peers at Purdue often. Study abroad has changed the way I view and think about other cultures. The way we examined and dissected the physical culture in the Czech Republic cause me to reflect greatly on my own views about physical activity. This program is something I would recommend to anybody. I would go back in a heartbeat!” - SSA Czech alum 2009
2015 Summer Study Abroad
Czech Republic

GEN 350 Topics in Cross-Cultural Studies: Czech Physical Culture

- Summer 2015 (Tentative May 25-June 17)
- 4 credits
- Prerequisite: acceptance into the program and sophomore status (must have completed two semesters of undergrad coursework before start of program on May 25)
- Fulfills cross-cultural gen-ed requirement
- All majors welcome!

Explore the broader Czech culture by examining their physical culture, and learn how this culture is different from the United States. Also, encounter Czech culture by visiting its cities and historical sites and interacting with Czech people.

Course Requirements

- Attend pre-trip meetings and seminars
- Observe/participate in physical activities
- Journaling (daily and directed)
- Informal interviews
- Case study on select aspect of physical culture (physical education, health and fitness, active leisure pursuits, competitive sport, sports ministry, physiotherapy, or another aspect of Czech physical culture).
- Reflective paper

Faculty: Dr. Paul Bartlett, a faculty member of the Kinesiology department, will co-lead the program with Carrie Krohn, the Assistant Track and Cross Country Coach and RSC Front Desk supervisor. This will be Dr. Bartlett’s sixth time leading NWC students to the Czech Republic on a Summer Study Abroad program.

Passport and Visa: For U.S. citizens, a passport is required for entry into the Czech Republic; a visa is not required for tourist stays of less than 90 days. Information on how to obtain a passport is available from the Global Education Center or the State Department web site at http://travel.state.gov/.

“I would definitely recommend an SSA to other students. I believe that this experience opens students eyes to the world around them as well as to themselves. And the opportunity we have to do this in college may never come again later in life.” - SSA Czech alum 2011