Program Snapshot

**Dates:**
May 30 - June 29, 2014

**Locations:**
- Based in Skálholt, Iceland
- Group excursions to Reykjavík, Heimaey, and assorted waterfalls, glaciers, geysers, and other wonders.

**Courses: 6 Credits**
- IDS 302: Arts, Artifacts & Culture of Iceland
- ENG/RES 941: Environment & Literature of Iceland
- Fulfills Global Perspectives & additional reqts. (see reverse)
- Honors contracts may be available with program faculty

**Meredith Faculty:**
- Director: Dr. Eloise Grathwohl, grathwohle@meredith.edu
- Dr. Shannon Grimes, grimessh@meredith.edu

**Program Cost:** $6,050 (see reverse for budget)

Student Voices

“When I think of my time in Iceland one word comes to mind: strength. I made it my goal to conquer my fears in Iceland; from meeting new friends in a foreign country, to cantering on Icelandic horses across lava fields, to jumping off cliffs into freezing cold water, I plunged into everything. Do you want to see how strong you really are? Explore Iceland!”

Katie Riggs, Summer 2011

Scholarships & Financial Aid:
Additional study abroad funding is available. Pick up a study abroad scholarship application in Joyner 124. Scholarship deadline: **February 28.**

Apply Now!
Download a study abroad application at www.meredith.edu/studyabroad. Applications accepted until **February 14.**
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PROGRAM DETAILS

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS:

Imagine yourself on an island the size of South Carolina with more volcanoes than the continental United States and fewer people than Wake County. You are lodged near a village of about 500 people, at a church that has been the center of Icelandic culture, history and religion since the turn of the first millennium. Among your immediate neighbors will be mountains, glaciers, hot springs, and wild horses.

Within 50 miles of your room and classes are geysers, one of the largest waterfalls in Europe, three (quiet) volcanoes, astonishing nature trails and hiking, the North Atlantic Ocean, and more puffins than anywhere in the world. You are only about an hour from the capital city of Reykjavík, home to 200,000 people and as cosmopolitan as any capital in Europe. Then imagine that for the entire four-week term it does not ever get dark. This will be the setting for Meredith in Iceland.

ACADEMICS:

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<th>COURSE &amp; CREDIT</th>
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<td>IDS 302: Arts, Artifacts &amp; Culture of Iceland, 3 credits</td>
<td>An introduction to the culture, social life, and language of Iceland, based upon arts, artifacts, and presentations by several native Icelanders. You will encounter Icelandic culture through literary, visual and musical arts and artifacts; exploration of the countryside and visits to reconstructed farmsteads; interactions with a local family; and an independent travel experience that you plan and carry out. Principal written assignments are an in-depth, directed journal, weekly posts to the Study Abroad website, and a reflective paper.</td>
<td>Level 300-400; Aesthetics &amp; Arts or Cultural Perspective credit</td>
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<td>ENG/RES 941: Environment &amp; Literature of Iceland, 3 credits</td>
<td>This course will take you on a journey through Iceland’s harsh, yet beautiful landscape. Through readings in Icelandic history and current environmental discourse as well as the Norse myths, the family sagas, and contemporary literature, we will explore the many ways in which the natural environment has shaped Icelandic religion, literature, and culture. Touring geothermal greenhouses and power plants, engaging in an environmental service project, and talking with local residents, activists, and experts will enhance your understanding of Icelanders’ deep relationship to the land and the environmental challenges they face today.</td>
<td>Level 300-400; Fulfills Ethical Perspectives &amp; either Literature or Cultural electives for Gen Ed. Also counts as an elective for English, RES, or Environmental Sustainability major or minor.</td>
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FINANCES:

Program cost (includes): $ 6,050
- Non-refundable application deposit of $500
- Tuition for 6 credits
- Accommodations in Iceland
- All meals, weekends included
- Academic excursions & program activities
- International emergency cell phone

Additional Estimated Expenses:

- Round-trip Airfare $1,400
- Passport $150
- International Student I.D. $25
- Insurance $70
- Independent Travel $250
- Personal Spending Money $100-$300

Note: Estimates based on previous student reports. These are conservative estimates. Your spending habits may differ.

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Meredith reserves the right to make changes to the program itinerary, schedule, cost, academic program, etc., as necessary.