

The background features a complex network of blue lines and arrows. Some lines are solid, while others are dashed. The arrows point in various directions, creating a sense of movement and connectivity. The overall aesthetic is clean and modern, with a focus on geometric patterns.

# SLIDE

## UB Student Leadership International **D i a l o g u e & E x c h a n g e**

Netherlands & Belgium Informational Slide Deck



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## What is SLIDE?

The Student Leadership International Dialogue & Exchange (SLIDE) Program is...

- an abbreviated study abroad experience specifically designed for student leaders at the University at Buffalo
- an opportunity to learn about leadership, explore different cultures and experience history through first-hand experiences
- an amazing way to meet new and interesting people
- a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!





## Who Can Participate?

- **Any** UB student in good academic and disciplinary status with the university **regardless** of:
  - Major
  - Minor
  - Grade level
  - Previous international experience
  - Language proficiency
  - Visa status
- Preference is for students who have leadership experiences to draw upon while abroad
- Only 20 spots available!





## Requirements:

- Must be in good academic and disciplinary status with the University at Buffalo
- Must attend five, two-hour pre-departure meetings throughout the Spring 2020 semester and actively participate in meetings
- Must attend all scheduled group activities abroad
- Must contribute to video blog while abroad
- Must commit to producing a journal and reflection paper after the program is complete





## Previously on SLIDE:

Since its inception in 2010, UB students have traveled to the following destinations on SLIDE:

- Singapore – Winter, 2010
- China – Summer, 2010
- London – Summer, 2011
- Dominican Republic – Spring, 2012
- Prague and Budapest – Summer, 2013
- Rome, Florence and Venice – Summer, 2014
- Greece and Turkey – Summer, 2015
- Portugal and Spain – Summer, 2016
- Ireland and Scotland – Summer, 2017
- Germany and Austria – Summer, 2018
- London and Paris – Summer, 2019

This year, SLIDE will travel to ***Amsterdam and Hague, Netherlands*** as well as ***Antwerp and Brussels, Belgium*** from May 19 through May 30, 2020.





## Tentative Logistics:

- Depart from UB on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Drive to Toronto Pearson International Airport
- Flight into Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Spend 3 nights in Amsterdam (3 star hotel accommodations)
- Spend 2 nights in Hague, Netherlands (3 star hotel accommodations)
- Spend 2 nights in Antwerp, Belgium (3 star hotel accommodations)
- Spend 3 nights in Brussels (3 star hotel accommodations)
- Flight from Brussels, Belgium to Toronto Pearson International Airport on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>
- Drive back to UB





## Included in Program Fee:

- 3-star hotel accommodations throughout (never hostels)
- All breakfasts and three group dinners
- Professional, English-speaking local guides (including gratuity)
- Private coaches with professional drivers (including gratuity)
- Ground transportation throughout
- All entrance fees associated with scheduled group activities
- Transportation to and from UB and Toronto International Airport
- Anticipated Program Fee = **\$800 - \$1000** paid directly to UB (dependent on number of participants - pending final approval)





## Not Included in Program Fee:

- Trans-Atlantic air travel = approx. \$1,200 (Paid directly to Airline/Travel Agent)
- Some meals = approx. \$400 (Paid onsite)
- Personal expenses = approx. \$200 (Paid onsite)
- International health insurance = approx. \$25 (Paid directly to UB)

## Total Estimated Cost

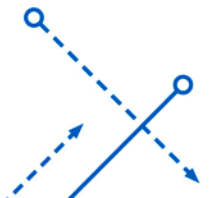
Approximately only  
**\$2600 - \$2800**





## Application & Selection Process:

- Complete the 2020 SLIDE application via [UBLinked](#) by 11:59 PM on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> (applications accepted on a rolling-basis – apply early!)
- If selected to move forward in the application process, you will be notified to schedule a 30-minute virtual interview
- Interviews must be completed by Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>
- If selected to participate, you will be notified the week of January 27<sup>th</sup>
- Confirm your spot by making a non-refundable 50% deposit to UB by Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>
- Book flights around March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Final 50% payment due to UB by April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Attend five, two-hour mandatory pre-departure meetings throughout the Spring semester (meeting dates and times will be provided if you're accepted)
- Depart Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>





## Questions?

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