

LECTURES, EXCURSIONS, VISITS & ACTIVITIES
FACULTY-LED GROUPS
FALL – SPRING – SUMMER
2013 - 14

Overview of the History of Leadership at AFS:

- Lecture: David Willis (Retired Finance Officer of AFS)
- Activity: Tour of AFS Farm & Campus (Escort: David Willis)

Overview of Farming & Food Traditions in Greece:

- Lecture: Dr. Tryfona Adamidis (Head of Food Science & Technology Major), Mr. Kostas Rotsios (Assistant Dean & Coordinator of International Agribusiness Major) or Ms. Kiki Zinovidou (Lecturer)
- Activity: Students learn to make Greek sweets (marmalade and spoon sweets)
- Activity: Students learn to make "Heilopites" (traditional Greek pasta made from eggs and milk)
- Activity: Five Afternoon or Evening Visits to City Center (price of meals not included): Sampling from the many different kinds of traditional Thessaloniki eateries, including fish tavernas, meat tavernas, ouzeries (where ouzo and h'orderves are served), mezodopoleia (again h'orderves, along with a variety of spirits), sweet shops, etc. (Escort: Dr. Adamidis or Mr. Zinoladou)
- Two-Day Excursion: Visits to traditional mountain villages in Macedonia (Escort: Admidis or Zinoladou)

The *Odyssey* and Modern Greek Society (Overview of Modern Greek Culture):

- Lecture: (Don Schofield, Dean of Special Programs).
- Activity: Day Trip: Tour of Archaeological Museum (Escort: Dr. Adamidis)

Comparisons of the Diets of Greece and the US:

- Lecture: Dr. Adamidis or Ms. Zinoladou
- Day Trip: Thessaloniki Open Market (Escort: Dr. Adamidis)
- Day Trip: Organic Market, Kalamaria (suburb of Thessaloniki) (Escort: Dr. Adamidis)

Agrotourism in Greece:

- On Campus Visit: Student-Run Guest Facility (Escort: Ms. Emmanoulidou)
- Day Trip: Agrotourism Facilities (horse riding, swimming in a pool on a mountain, tasting homemade traditional dishes in Lefkohori Village, and various other activities. (Escort: Ms. Emmanoulidou)
- Day Trip: Lake Kerkini and Poroia Mountain (ecotourism)
- Day Trip: Visit to Mussel Farm, Halastra (agrotourism)
- Day Trip: Visit to winery that produces organic wines made only for export (the other side of the local) (wine tourism)
- Day Trip: Spa tourism in countryside (Nea Apollonia) & biological livestock production (agrotourism)
- Day Trip: Afternoon or evening visit: to a local festival near Thessaloniki (e.g., sprat festival in Michaniona)

Agricultural Marketing – Local and Global:

- Lecture: Mr. Rotsios or Ms. Mathildi Saritza
- Day Trip: Women's Cooperative, San Antonio (Halkidiki) (Escort: Dr. Adamidis or Maria Emmanouilidou)
- Day Trip: Visit to winery that produces organic wines made only for export (the other side of the local). (Escort: Dr. Adamidis and/or Maria Emmanouilidou)
- Day Trip: Visit to the Marianna Farm, which uses grape vines (stems, leaves, etc.) to make a variety of products. (Escort: Dr. Adamidis or Maria Emmanouilidou)

The Importance of Agro-Exports to the Economy of Greece:

- Lecture: Dr. Philip Papadopoulos (Academic Dean), Mr. Rotsios (Assistant Dean), Ms. Matthildi Saritza (Lecturer) or Mr. Nikolaos Chatzillas (Lecturer).
- On Campus Visit: AFS Educational Dairy (milk and cheese) and Poultry Unit—turkeys, chickens, regular and Omega 3 eggs (Dr. Thanassis Giamoustaris, AFS Farm Director)

Livestock Production in Greece:

- Lecture: Dr. Vangelis Vergos (Director of Research & Adult Education and Head of Livestock Science Program), Dr. Stratos Souglis (AFS Veterinarian and Head of AFS Dairy Unit)
- One-Day Excursion: Kerkini Lake, which would include stopping at various traditional villages nearby, enjoying fresh water fish from the lake and visiting a buffalo milk dairy (Escort: Dr. Adamidis or Dr. Zinavidou)

Field Crop Production in Greece:

- Lecture: Dr. Thanassis Giamoustaris (Director of AFS Educational Farm) or Dr. Athanassios Gertsis (Head of the Environmental Systems Management Program)

Vegetable and Fruit Production in Greece:

- Lecture: Dr. Giamoustaris, Yiannis Gatzolis (Head of Plant production Department)
- Day Trip: Visit to local organic farms and markets (Escort: Dr. Adamidis)

Milk and Cheese Production in Greece:

- On Campus Visit: Viewing how the school makes its cheeses (yellow and white), and markets them (Escort: Dr. Stratos Souglis).

Olive Production and Marketing:

- Lecture: Dr. Giamoustaris, Mr. Gatzolis, Dr. Gertsis or Mathildi Saritza
- On Campus Visit: Olive Harvesting Experimental Site (Escort: Dr. Gertsis)
- Day Trip: Visit to Halkidiki stuffed olive packaging plant (Escort: Dr. Adamidis)

Grape Production and Viticulture:

- Lecture: Mr. Gatzolis
- On Campus Visit: AFS vineyard and winery (Escort: Mr. Gatzolis)

--Day Trip: Local wineries (Escort: Dr. Adamidis or Mr. Gatzolis)

Environmental Sustainability of Agriculture:

--Lecture: Dr. Athanassios Gertsis or Dr. Nikos Vasilikiotis

--On Campus Visit: Tour of Perrotis College Research Labs (Escort: Dr. Gertsis)

Precision Agriculture:

--Lecture: Dr. Gertsis

--On Campus Visit: Perrotis College AgroCenter & Research Labs (Escort: Dr. Gertsis)

The Future of the Agricultural Economy of Greece:

--Lecture: Dr. Papadopoulos or Mr. Rotsios

--Day Trip: Visit to Mussel Farm, Halastra, Halkidiki (Escort: TBA)

ADDITIONAL TOURS & EXCURSIONS:

(Faculty or staff escort included; price = per student; meals not included, except where indicated otherwise):

Tours

- **Tour of Thessaloniki City Center**
- **Tour of Thessaloniki's Open Market**
Includes sampling products at a local coffee shop.
- **Guided Tour of the Thessaloniki Byzantine Museum**
- **Guided Tour of the Thessaloniki Archaeological Museum**
- **Tour of On-Campus Student-Run Food Market**
Includes talk on products produced and sold by AFS (Mr. Moshonas)
- **Tour of Gerovassiliou Winery**
Includes wine tasting, swimming at nearby beach and eating in a nearby taverna (meal not included)

Activities

- **Cooking Greek and Mediterranean Delicacies**
Greek sweets such as baklava, spoon sweets, Greek pita, Greek dough, etc. (on campus)

One-Day Excursions

- **Visit to Various Local Food Factories**
Excursion includes three from the following list:
 - Greek patisserie
 - Traditional Greek cheese factory
 - Snail factory

- Greek dough factory
- Olive oil extraction factory
- Greek pepper factory
- Grape vine product production
- **Day-Trip to Mt. Olympus and Ancient Roman City of Dion**
Includes archaeological site and museum, Mt Olympus waterfalls, magnetic fields, coffee, swimming in the sea, visit to the traditional village of Saint Panteleimon.
- **Trekking & Rapelling Meteora**
- **Day-Trip to Vergina**
Tomb of Philip II, the father of Alexander the Great
- **Day-Trip to Pella**
Includes archaeological site (the capital of ancient Macedonia) and museum

Two-Day Excursions

- **Paiko Mountain Area & Goumenissa**
 - **Option 1**
 - Trekking on Mount Paiko
 - Visit to Pella Archeological Site and Museum (birth place of Alexander the Great)
 - Collecting herbs (spathochorto), processing it to make the “spatholado” remedy
 - Archery activities
 - **Option 2**
 - Trekking to summit GolaTsuka (lunch pack and picnic included)
 - Visit to the museum of Agricultural Inheritance (Evropos)
 - Collecting cherries, grapes, apricots, etc, (depending on season)
 - Visit to the workshop where local gourmet delicacies are produced (brand name: Oi Goumenisses; visit www.oigoumenisses.gr for more information)
 - **Option 3**
 - Trekking to summit GolaTsuka or lighter trekking paths
 - Visit to the museum of Agricultural Inheritance (Evropos)
 - Seminar on Trip Planning / Ropes / First Aid / Survival
 - Archery activities
- **Visit to Ancient City of Dion & Trek Up Mt. Olympus**
- **Visit to Meteora and Hiking the Vikos Gorge**

- Visit to Ouranoupoli (Halkidiki) and Mt. Athos (day-cruise)
- Trip to Delphi

Three-Day Excursions

- Trip to Meteora & Lake Plastira
- Canyoning & Trekking in Karpenisi

Four-Day Excursions

- Sailing Trip to the Sporades Islands
- Culinary Sailing Trip Along Chalkidiki
- Trip to Athens

ACTIVITY & EXCURSION FEES	
Activity	Fee
Lectures	\$200 per lecture (not per person)
On Campus Site Visits	No Fee
On Campus Cooking Sessions	\$20 per person (per hour)
Excursions (with escort; meals not included)	
• Day Trips	• \$150 per person
• Two-Day Trips	• \$250 per person
• Three-Day Trips	• \$400 per person
• Four-Day Trips	• \$600 per person
• Sailing Trips (meals included)	• \$900 per person
City Tours / Activities (with faculty/staff escort; meals not included)	\$150 per day (not per person)