



Center for European Studies

THE POWER

The University of Michigan's Center for European Studies (CES), a constituent of the International Institute and the Weiser Center for Europe and Eurasia, is a multi-disciplinary research, education, and outreach program dedicated to improving understanding of modern Europe through the promotion of research and education. In 2001, CES received a grant from the European Commission to establish a European Union Center (EUC) and, from 2005 to 2011, U-M's EUC was designated a European Union Center of Excellence, one of 10 in the United States. In collaboration with units across U-M, and institutions of higher education in the U.S. and Europe, CES explores the historical and contemporary processes of integration that are visible in European society, politics, economy, and culture. CES sponsors visits by scholars, artists, and policy-makers from Europe and facilitates their interaction with U-M faculty and students. The affiliated faculty of CES are renowned for their interdisciplinary approach to the analysis of social, economic, and political transformations, and this makes U-M an ideal place for European studies.

THE OPPORTUNITIES

The Center for European Studies brings together more than 100 faculty members who teach and conduct research on modern Europe and the European Union. Their backgrounds range from history to languages and literatures, political science to professional studies, especially law. CES awards summer research and internship grants and Jean Monnet Graduate Fellowships. It benefits from the university's libraries, which contain more than 800,000 Europe-focused titles in English and more than 700,000 in other languages. The center also offers an interdisciplinary minor in Modern European Studies for undergraduates and an interdisciplinary graduate certificate in European and European Union Studies for graduate students. We organize lectures, conferences, and film series and also administer the European Union Institute Visiting Scholar Program.

THE IMPACT

Gifts to the Center for European Studies ensure the program's growth and continuing excellence, and will assure that U-M students will have an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of Europe. Endowed centers attract and help recruit the best academic talent and increase the visibility of the program. Endowed funding in any amount, as well as expendable support for annual lectures, film series, exhibitions, and other cultural programs, build interest on campus and enable us to provide valuable support for our students.

Named Endowed Center

\$5M endowed

Naming the Center for European Studies will provide the needed funding to continue our public programming, including the Annual Distinguished Lecture on Europe, and enhance faculty and student-led research projects by supporting those with summer fellowships and the competitive Jean Monnet graduate fellowship in European studies. At a time when the university is committed to build a greater global presence by encouraging students and faculty to engage with scholars and institutions in other parts of the world, the majority of U-M students who study abroad choose to do so in Europe. A named center will ensure that CES continues to meet the needs of our students and the faculty and provide unique opportunities for their intellectual and professional development.

Graduate Summer Research Fellowships in European Studies

\$500,000 endowed / \$20,000 expendable

CES seeks funds to offer graduate research fellowships each year to enable students to conduct focused summer research in contemporary or historical issues relating to Europe. As the demand for graduate student research support grows, CES seeks to offer students funding through annual competitions for summer research and internships in Europe. Each graduate fellowship award provides students with \$5,000 for a summer of research support.

Undergraduate Summer Fellowships for Research and Internships in Europe

\$500,000 endowed / \$20,000 expendable

CES seeks funds to continue its successful summer fellowships program, which funds students from the entire U-M campus for summer research or internship projects. The grants are intended to promote the study of Europe and European integration through experiential learning and global engagement. These experiences greatly benefit students' future careers.

Annual Lectureship

\$250,000 endowed / \$10,000 expendable

The center's successful Annual Distinguished Lecture on Europe brings a senior scholar to U-M for a public lecture. Securing funds for this event will help maintain the high quality of this important series.

Endowed gifts of \$100,000 or more to CES may be recognized with a naming opportunity in Weiser Hall. For available spaces and giving levels, see the Weiser Hall descriptions.

WAYS TO FUND YOUR GIFT

Your gifts of cash, pledges, or appreciated securities change lives. Wills, estate, and planned gifts allow you to create a lasting legacy that will enable the best and brightest minds to experience a liberal arts education, solve problems in a changing world, and yield ideas and innovations that will make a difference in Michigan and around the globe.

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