

## Purdue University

**\*\*Pre-Departure: Greek Cultural Presentation** (organized virtually) – A presentation led by the study abroad office – Become familiar with Greek culture, values, beliefs, learn a few Greek words and take this opportunity to ask questions you may have about packing, etc.

### Day 0: Sunday, March 10

- Fly out from USA

### Day 1: Monday, March 11

- TBA: Arrive at SKG Airport & pick up by staff member & private bus
- settle into rooms
- *Depending on arrival:*
- **Campus Tour of the farm and facilities**
- **Catered dinner on campus** (included)
- Overnight on campus (Thessaloniki)



### Day 2: Tuesday, March 12

*In case we do not have time on Day 1, the Campus Tour will be moved to Day 2.*

- 8:00 – 9:00am: Breakfast on campus
- 9:00am: Meet at the AFS church & depart for city center
  - **Thessaloniki City & Food Walking Tour**
- **9:30 – 12:30:** Group will stroll the streets of Thessaloniki, learn all about its history and traditions. There will be stops at the ancient 'agora', Kamara, local food markets & more!
- 1:00pm: Make our way to Mama's Taper
- 1:00 – 3:00pm: **Greek Cooking Lesson:** Learn how to cook Greek food & eat your creations
- 3:00 – 5:00pm: free time downtown to explore the city, take a boat ride on the pirate ship
- 5:30pm: Arrive to campus to relax/siesta
- 8:00pm: Meet at the AFS church to depart for dinner
- 8:30pm: **Welcome dinner** at traditional Greek tavern (included)



## **Day 3: Wednesday, March 13**

- 8:00 – 9:00am: Breakfast on campus
- 9:00 – 10:30am: **Mediterranean Diet: Science & Culture** - includes tasting of traditional Greek products: by Dr. Tryfon Adamidis
- Break
- 10:45 – 12:00pm: **Introduction to Animal Science in Greece**
- 12:00 – 12:45pm: lunch on campus (included)
- 12:45 – 1:45pm: **Workshop: Tasting & Sensory Analysis of white cheese (including feta)**
- 2:00pm: Meet at AFS church & depart for **Gerovassiliou Winery**
- **3:00 – 4:30pm: Tour the facilities & tasting included**
- 4:30pm: return to campus & free time
- Overnight on campus



## **Day 4: Thursday, March 14**

*\*Check-out of the residence hall*

*\*Meal bags will be given to all participants*

- 8:00am: Depart for **Epiros Dairy Products S.A** (approximately 3hrs & 30min drive): one break for bathroom and snacks
- 12:00pm (approximately): Visit **Epiros Dairy Products S.A: Tour of the farm and factory & tasting of their products**
  - EPIRUS SA is one of the largest cheese-producing companies in Greece with 3 state-of-the-art production and packaging facilities in Greece
- 2:00pm: Depart for Ioannina (approximately 1 hr drive)
- 3:00pm: Check-in to our hotel & downtime
- 4:30pm: Meet at the hotel lobby and make our way to **Pamvoti Lake Island**
  - free time for shopping/walking on the island
- Rest of the evening free to enjoy Ioannina town on your own
- Overnight in Ioannina



## **Day 5: Friday, March 15**

- 8:00 – 9:00am: breakfast at the hotel & check-out
- 9:00am: Depart for Kalambaka, Meteora (approximately 2 hour drive)
- 11:30am: **Guided Tour of 2 monasteries**
  - *Meaning “in the heavens above” or “middle of the sky” are part of the UNESCO World Heritage List and are amongst the most visited monasteries in the world! There are 6 monasteries that are built on natural sandstone rock pillars. All built around after the 11th century, these gigantic rocks of Meteora are perched above the town of Kalambaka, at a maximum height of 400m (1200 ft)!*
- 3:00pm: approximately end of tour & free time for lunch in Kalambaka
- 4:30pm: Depart for Thessaloniki (3 hour drive)
- 8:00pm: arrive on campus / change of clothes
- 8:30pm: Meet for **farewell group dinner** (included)
- Overnight on campus



## **Day 6: Saturday, March 16**

- Breakfast on campus
- TBA: Group departure for SKG airport