

Econ 395

Renewable Energy Economics & Policy Analysis

in

GERMANY & SWITZERLAND



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Prerequisite is either Econ 200, 201, 202 or 203

Program Fee: \$3,800*

Program Fee includes: Round Trip Airfare, on site transportation, hotel accommodations, daily breakfast and 7 local dinners, all sponsored activities while abroad.

Does not include: Tuition for 3 credit hours, some meals, and personal expenses.

**Cost subject to change depending on airfare, local exchange rates, and date of enrollment.*

Information Meeting:
Wednesday, September 10th at 3pm in the DSU Jefferson Room

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Course Description: This course provides an introduction to energy markets with a specific emphasis on renewable energy. We will apply economic theory to the production of renewable energy examining energy markets at the local, national and international level and examine specific policies designed to promote the production of renewables. Students will learn how fundamental economic concepts drive energy production and how various local and national institutions affect energy markets.

In this course we will be traveling to Germany and Switzerland to examine firsthand their vast investments in renewable technologies. Due in part to the German Renewable Energy Act, roughly 17 percent of electricity, 8 percent of heat and 6 percent of fuel used in Germany was generated from renewable sources in 2011. This course will be comprised of four pre departure meeting in which students will learn the economics that underlie energy markets and criteria for policy analysis before traveling abroad to apply this knowledge to the facilities they will visit.