Program travel outline: This Education Abroad program will visit Munich and Berlin as main travel destinations. The group will be staying at Youth Hostels in double rooms with shared bathrooms. Private bathrooms are available at additional cost. The duration of the program is designed so that students can celebrate Christmas back home in the US. Students also have the opportunity to stay in Europe and visit other cities or countries before they return. A detailed program schedule will be available before departure.

Travel dates:
December 14th; leaving the US
December 15th; arrive in Munich; visit Christmas Market,
December 16th; center walking tour, city orientation and cultural sites.
December 17th; meet Bavarian Building Department officials, tour of health facility. Germany’s public health system.
December 18th; BMW “Die Welt”
December 19th; train to Berlin, city orientation
December 20th; center walking tour, cultural sites, Bauhaus Museum
December 21st; Reichstag visit, Government quarter, Brandenburg Gate;
December 22nd; Charite Hospital, visit Technical University Healthcare Design Program
December 23rd; departure to the US

Select List of Key Scholarships
College of Architecture (COA) International Programs Scholarship $500
The first 10 COA students accepted and who have placed deposits, will each be awarded a $500 scholarship from the College of Architecture.

Presidents International Travel Fellowship
(due Sept 20th)
President David L. Boren supports international travel for study abroad through the Presidential International Travel Fellowship (PITF). This is a need based fellowship and typically covers 75% of airfare. To apply for the PITF you will have to have an active Education Abroad application for the Germany Program

Information session
All sessions meet at
the College of Architecture (Gould Hall) room 325
Friday 12:00 p.m
September 13th
September 20th
October 4th
or contact the instructor Hepi Wachter with your questions at hepw@ou.edu

Munich town center and Christmas Market
Germany
Health Culture Design

This Education Abroad is a 3 credit collaborative course for students with diverse majors. The program is divided into two parts. Part one will be in Munich and part two will be in Berlin. The focus is divided into visiting relevant cultural sites and healthcare environments.

Munich BMW Welt

This link to program application

Berlin Christmas Market
The market and light installation at Charlottenburg Palace
Get into the spirit of the season visiting Berlin’s most attractive traditional Christmas markets, with their dazzling array of handcrafted goods and traditional food and drinks. In the cold weather, a “Glühwein” the hot mulled wine that is a staple of the markets - will have you feeling warm and cozy in no time. Learn about German traditions and the history of nearby sites such as Schloss Charlottenburg, the Olympic Stadium and the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church.

The Charité is one of the largest university hospitals in Europe. Here, 3800 doctors and scientists heal, do research and teach at the top international level. More than half of the German Nobel Prize winners in medicine and physiology come from the Charité.

www.charite.de/en/charite/

Course objectives
Explore the interconnection between design, culture and health.
Get an introduction to the social, histories, politics and cultures of Germany through presentations, discussions, and field study as we visit health environments and cultural sites in Munich and Berlin.

Payment Deadlines
Sept.30, 2013 $500 Deposit
Oct. 28, 2013 $1000
Nov.15, 2013 $900

Program Expenses:
This includes program administration, regional transit and city public transportation, hostel double room w/shared bath, museum entries.

$2,400

Berlin Brandenburg Gate
www.berlin.de/en/
The Brandenburg Gate is one of Berlin’s most important monuments - a landmark and symbol all in one with over two hundred years of history. A former symbol of the divided city, it drew visitors who used to climb an observation platform in order to get a glimpse of the world behind the Iron Curtain, on the other side of the barren “death- strip” which separated east from west Berlin, geographically and politically. It was here that on June 12, 1987, Ronald Reagan issued his stem command to his cold war adversary admonishing him with the words: “Mr. Gorbachev- tear down this wall”.

Munich Olympic Park
Site of the 1972 Summer Olympics. www.olympiapark.de/en/home
The Olympic Park was constructed for the 1972 Summer Olympics and continues to serve as a venue for cultural, social and religious events. The Park is located in the modern skyline near BMW. When the park was developed, the concept of a “green Olympic Games” was chosen, and so too was the orientation toward the ideals of democracy.

Note that cost may fluctuate somewhat with the Euro/Dollar exchange rates and airline rates. Program cost is based on 10 participants in the program. Air travel should be purchased from OKC to Munich and return flight from Berlin to OKC.

Additional expenses:
- Estimated airfare: ca. $1,450
- Travel insurance: ca. $25
- Meals: ca. $400

OU fee estimate 3CR: $285
OU EDU Abroad fee: $100
COA Study Abroad fee: $35