What is Harlaxton?

Harlaxton College is located in Grantham, England, a small town about an hour north of London. The University of Evansville owns the 19th century manor, and WKU has a contract that allows students to study abroad there every semester. Known for its beauty and its historical significance, Harlaxton College received its first WKU students in 2007.

What is life like at Harlaxton?

Students live in a gorgeous manor house, take classes with students from all across America, and have the opportunity to travel throughout Europe on the weekends. Students take classes Monday through Thursday, leaving three-day weekends available to travel. There are school trips offered, and many students travel independently. About 150 students attend Harlaxton each semester.

How do funds transfer to pay for Harlaxton?

Tuition, room and board at Harlaxton is more than a semester at WKU—but completely worth it. Students are also responsible for their plane tickets to and from England, and any traveling they choose to do on weekends. Students receiving scholarships to attend WKU may apply these scholarships toward the cost of Harlaxton. Students are also eligible for many travel abroad scholarships. The early you begin planning the more opportunities there are for funding.

What is the deadline?

November 1, 2015 and each year thereafter. However, you should talk to your academic advisor as soon as possible to plan coursework.

How do I learn more?

For more information or to apply contact nancy.rice@wku.edu or www.wku.edu/studyabroad.

WKU students visiting the lab where Watson & Crick solved the structure of DNA.
In 2016, the WKU Biology Department will begin offering courses at Harlaxton College in order to provide students with an opportunity to study abroad AND take courses in the biology MAJOR.

In this program students will have opportunities to:

- Culturally integrate their learning of biology while exploring the locations where pivotal discoveries were made or where noteworthy scientists lived and worked.

- See the DNA model of Watson and Crick and visit the famous Cavendish Laboratory Museum, home to 29 Nobel Laureates including James Watson and Francis Crick, Max Perutz, and others.

- Visit Down House, the home of Charles Darwin, the father of biology, where the famous On the Origin of the Species was written.

- Attend guest lectures from leading British scientists.

- Develop independent, international research projects or internships.

Course offerings that meet WKU Biology requirements

Spring 2016

- BIOL 319 / BIOL 322 – Molecular and Cell Biology
- BIOL 411/Biol 412 – Cell Biology/ Cell Biology Lab
- BIOL 399 – Research Problems in Biology*
  * by approval only

Spring 2017

- BIOL 224/ BIOL 225 – Animal Biology and Diversity
- BIOL 328 – Immunology
  OR
- BIOL 460 – Parasitology
- BIOL 399 – Research Problems in Biology*
  * by approval only

Spring 2018

- BIOL 226/ BIOL 227 – Microbial Biology and Diversity
- BIOL 319 / BIOL 322 – Molecular and Cell Biology
  OR
- BIOL 404 –Virology
- BIOL 399 – Research Problems in Biology*
  * by approval only

NOTE: All students are required to take the 6h British Studies course and then will choose 6 additional hours from course listings.