



### Timeline – Overview:

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students from the St. Clair College Tourism program will have a chance to learn more details and to meet with representatives from the International Disney Programs and from Central Michigan University. This is followed by an application process and interviews. Successful students will then be able to spend July – December, working, learning, and earning at Walt Disney World Resort in Florida. While attending the Academic Exchange Program, students will be required to complete Central Michigan University courses and St. Clair College projects. In addition, Tourism accepted students will need to complete two additional required Tourism courses before they depart for Orlando. Upon their return, students will once again join their class peers to complete the final semester to be able to graduate with their cohort.

Central Michigan University (CMU) is excited to announce a life-changing study abroad program at the place where dreams come true! The Center for Leisure Services is offering an exciting program for international undergraduate students that will combine coursework and academic training at the Walt Disney World Resort ®. CMU has 35+ years of experience sending its own students to Disney as well as issuing credits to students from more than 200 other US universities and colleges while participating in the Disney College Program. The program is a best fit for undergraduate students who are studying Tourism, Leisure, Business, Hospitality, Communications, and Sports and Recreation. St. Clair College is the only Canadian College partner to work with CMU.

### Program Information:

Students enrolled in the Tourism St. Clair College program will spend their 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters enrolled in Central Michigan University (CMU) and go directly to the Walt Disney World Resort to participate in the Walt Disney World J -1 Academic Program. Students will be enrolled as full time students of CMU, taking 12 university internship credits. Specially designed academic courses will be taken to complement the work experience and learning opportunities provided by The Walt Disney Company. Students live for 6 months in Disney company sponsored housing in Orlando, Florida.

CMU Tuition: \$2330 USD (approx.) for the 6-month program (St. Clair College does not require students to pay tuition for semester 4)

Academic Training and Credits at the Walt Disney World Resort®:

Students are placed in entry -level positions at one of the four theme parks, two water parks or twenty+ resort hotels that are part of the Walt Disney World Resort®. Students earn a paycheck by working a minimum of 30 – 45 hours per week.

In addition students are required to enroll in a course taught by the Disney Education team. Students can also choose to participate in a variety of educational workshops, professional development studies and learning activities to complement their individual learning plans and work placement. Upon successful completion of the semester, students receive a transcript from CMU indicating a grade and academic credit earned.

Accommodations and fees at the Walt Disney World Resort®:

Students live in fully-furnished one to four bedroom apartments with at least 2 students per bedroom with 24-hour security, located near the Walt Disney World Resort property. A bus system provides students with transportation to work, school, grocery shopping and a few social activities. An “Accommodation Charge” that covers the housing fee, utilities, high speed internet, local phone service, and transportation is payroll -deducted from student’s weekly paycheck. This charge ranges from \$95-\$125 USD/week, depending on the size of apartment and number of roommates. There is also a one-time (approx.) \$150.00 USD Program Assessment fee for the program.



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*Check out the website and these video clips for more information:*

<http://ip.disneycareers.com/en/about-disney-international-program/overview/>

<http://ip.disneycareers.com/en/academic-exchange-program/overview/>

***Working for Disney - Disney International Programs:***

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K32hAdAoMQQ>

***Learning while on Disney International Programs:***

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AynzNDX\\_p6A](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AynzNDX_p6A)

***Living in Disney-sponsored Housing - Disney International Programs:***

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rtV6hruBic>