This unique summer study abroad program is open to all students interested in Communication, including Villanova students and those from other universities. The program coordinator begins accepting applications each October, and admits students into the program on a rolling basis. Since space in the program is limited, interested students should plan on submitting their applications well before the March deadline. For more information on program costs, payment dates, and to download the application, visit www.villanova.edu/vpaa/intlstudies/
The Communication discipline has its origins in the study of the spoken word and its power to move and persuade. Greece is the site of much of the history of the spoken word, from epic storytelling, to oratory, to drama, to the messages of the oracles.

This five-week, six-credit summer program allows students to gain important insights into the roots of the Communication discipline and make contemporary applications through hands-on experience in Greece. Students in the program gain additional intercultural insights by observing and participating in a contemporary culture that continues to surround itself with, and be influenced by, its ancient history.

The program offers students a wonderful opportunity to:

- Tour some of the most famous locations in the history of Greek rhetoric, democracy, and performance.
- Experience the "open air" classroom-style used originally by Plato, Aristotle, and the Sophists.
- Witness professional performances of classical plays by such playwrights as Euripides, Sophocles, and Aristophanes (schedule permitting).
- And immerse themselves in the history, traditions, and grandeur of Greece and its people.

The program consists of two team taught courses, which typically focus on such issues as the rise and decline of Greek democracy, the rhetorical dimensions of Greek myths, performance of ancient Greek poetry and drama, and the link between classical rhetoric, the oral tradition, and Greek literacy.

Field Trips:
The program includes trips to many of Greece’s most famous classical sites, including the Athenian Acropolis, Agora, and Pnyx, Delphi, Ancient Corinth, Ancient Olympia, the Palace of Knossos, Mycenae, and Epidaurus.

Program Size:
The size of the program is also ideal, since two Villanova faculty members are accompanied by no more than twenty students. This creates a unique learning environment, one that fosters a close intellectual and personal bond between students and faculty.

The Itinerary:
The Villanova University Summer Program in Greece typically opens with a one week stay in Athens, before moving on to stops in Crete, Santorini, Delphi, Olympia, and Tolo. Throughout the duration of the program, students are housed in three and four star hotels.

To learn more about the Summer Study Abroad Program in Greece, please visit the program website www.villanova.edu/artsci/communication/undergrad/greece.