



GLOBAL FOOTBALL TOURS WITH SIX NCAA DIVISION III FOOTBALL PROGRAMS OVERSEAS THIS SPRING

Augustana College, Hanover College, Luther College, Ohio Northern University, John Carroll University & Elmhurst College to take football teams to Europe

Thursday, May 6, 2010 – Organized by Texas-based Global Football, six NCAA Division III college football teams are traveling to Europe to compete in an international game while experiencing and learning first hand about the unique cultures they will visit. For many of the student athletes this will be their first overseas travel ever, allowing them to better understand countries, history and peoples otherwise foreign to them.

Headed by President Patrick Steenberge, Global Football has produced football games in 18 nations and this May-June is scheduled to travel with college teams to Austria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy and Switzerland.

During the tours, the DIII college football teams will mix practice sessions and youth clinics with cultural sightseeing before taking on the local American football teams eager to host their US guests. Lifelong friendships are often made among the players and coaches who play.

"These tours have become a part of John Carroll University tradition," said JCU head coach Regis Scafe. "This is our sixth tour and each and every year it is an unforgettable experience."

"The team gets to experience a new culture while playing in an international game. It is very worthwhile and even people who went years ago still talk about the tour today."

2010 Global Football College Tours

Hanover College Bavarian Classic:

Date: May 6-17, 2010

Destination: Germany

Game Day: May 16, 2010

Opponent: Stuttgart Scorpions in Stuttgart, Germany

Luther College Bavarian Classic:

Date: May 24, 2010 – June 1, 2010

Destination: Germany

Game Day: May 30, 2010

Opponent: Ingolstadt Dukes

During the Bavarian Classic, the teams will travel to Munich via the Romantic Road and exploring the Olympic Park and Marien platz. The teams will also visit Dachau, the first Nazi German camp a model for the 3,000 work and concentration camps.

Other trip highlights include Heidelberg Castle, Neuschwanstein Castle, and Old Town Hall.

Ohio Northern University Italian Classic:

Date: May 24, 2010 – June 1, 2010

Destination: Italy

Game Day: May 29, 2010 in Pontremoli, Italy

Opponent: Federazione Football Italiana All-Stars



During the Global Football Italian Classic, the Ohio Northern University football team will visit three cities – Venice, Florence, and Rome – as well as visit numerous sites along the way.

The team will see the spectacular sights of St. Mark's Square and Basilica, Rialto Bridge, Florence Duomo, Piazza Signoria, the famous Rome Coliseum and Pantheon, and the Vatican and St. Peter's Basilica.

John Carroll University Tour of France:

Date: May 24, 2010 – June 1, 2010

Destination: France

Game Day: May 29, 2010 in Amiens, France

Opponent: Belgian Tournai Phoenix

While in France, JCU will see the Palace of Versailles, Paris including the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral, Arc De Triomphe, and the Champs Elysees. The team will also travel to the Normandy region and the Lorier Valley.

Augustana College Swiss Alps & Austria Tour

Date: May 24, 2010 – June 2, 2010

Destination: Switzerland & Austria

Game Day: May 30, 2010 in Vienna, Austria

Opponent: Austrian Senior National Team

Augustana College will have the opportunity to hike the Swiss Alps, go canyoning, and white-water rafting during their stay in Switzerland. The team will then travel to Austria exploring the city of Innsbruck before playing against the Austrian Senior national team in the annual Charity Bowl in front of thousands of spectators and TV coverage in Vienna, Austria.

Elmhurst College Tour of Berlin & Prague

Date: May 31, 2010 – June 8, 2010

Destination: Germany & Czech Republic

Game Day: June 5, 2010 in Prague, Czech Republic

Opponent: Prague All-Stars

The football team will spend their first days sightseeing in Berlin, Germany going to the Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie Museum, cross the famous border point between East and West Berlin, and the Third Reich Walking tour.

Once in Prague, Czech Republic, Elmhurst College will have the opportunity to walk the medieval streets of Mala Strana, cross the Charles Bridge to the 13th century Old Town and view Europe's oldest synagogue dated to 1270.

"These tours provide an opportunity for young amateur athletes from different countries to compete against one another, while experiencing and learning firsthand about cultures, customs and history," said Patrick Steenberge. "The game at the end of the week is the highlight, but the friendships and memories the players bring home with them will last a lifetime."

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