## Be an "Exchange Student" and Travel to Germany!











Columbus participates in the "Sister City" program, having ten sister cities...one being Dresden, Germany, which became a "sister city" in 1992.

One of the newer programs emerging from the partnership is a cultural and educational student (and faculty) exchange program.

The Dresden Sister City project offers a workforce development-based exchange experience for Columbus State Community College students and students of the Berufsschulzentrum für Elektrotechnik (BSZ ET) in the sister city of Dresden.

The exchange program focuses on:

Career learning – Global employment & training practices – Cultural/social experiential engagement.

The program is designed to give students the chance to travel abroad and enables these students to actively engage with people, cultures and learning opportunities outside their communities.

Visits average 7 to 10 days. Students gain a view of the sister city's approach to career and workforce development in their chosen field as well as related fields. In addition, it provides a chance for all the partners involved to connect professionally, academically, and socially!

For SUMMER/AUTUMN SEMESTER 2024, Columbus State is seeking student "ambassadors" to be part of the exchange program and **travel to Dresden**, **Germany Aug 13<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>!** 

As an "ambassador" this autumn, CSCC students will be part of a group that will travel to Dresden, reside in a local hotel (for free!) along with the German "host" students for the duration of their visit. CSCC Students will be partnered with a German counterpart in a hotel room, and will be required to attend all the activities, events, tours, meals, and entertainment planned for them (also all free!)

This is a requirement of the program's funders to facilitate the most important part of the program...the cultural exchange that promotes peace and strengthens all communities!

And in Autumn of 2025 we'll need students to act as "hosts" as we welcome students and faculty to Columbus and do similar activities.

Students who travel to Dresden this year will be highly encouraged to act as a host next year!

For more information, please review the application that came with this flier. Complete the application and submit it as directed if you are interested!

Deadline to apply is Friday April 26th!