KRAKOW, POLAND

- **Why new sites?**
  - USAC was looking for a new site in Europe to produce some relief to the Prague, Czech Republic program which was getting too big. Kraków, similar in atmosphere, architecture, and cost of living, rivals Prague (only five hours away) for prettiest and friendliest medieval city in Europe. In addition to an amazing cultural and historical experience, Kraków is more affordable than most Western European countries.

- **Academic focus**
  - Polish Language & Culture
  - International Business
  - Central European Studies & Politics (Soc, Arch/Art, Pol Sci, )
  - Jewish Studies/Holocaust Studies (Soc, Hist, Rel)

- **Why Kraków?**
  - The Program is based in Kraków, one of the oldest and most charming cities in Poland. Kraków is known as the leading center of academic, cultural, economic, and artistic life in Poland, with its greatest highlights being the outstanding architectural monuments visible on almost every street. Kraków is very much a student city with over 30 universities and thousands of international students from all over the world studying there.
  - The host city offers many affordable cafes and restaurants; festivals and events; a strong music and art scene; as well as numerous historical sites. Some of the most notable features include the main square, Rynek Glowny, the largest medieval square in Europe, the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a cathedral made of salt, The Town Hall, Kraków’s own version of the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Kazimierz, the Jewish quarters where Schindler’s List was filmed, and the Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camps which have been turned into and maintained as a museum.
  - The Cracow University of Economics (CUE) is one of Poland’s premier academic institutions with outstanding teaching and research quality rooted in 90 years of tradition. Classes take place on a medium size, well-manicured, green campus of more than 15 buildings and students have access to a language center, library, sports facilities, cafes, and a clinic. The university is located in the center of Krakow and is only a 10-minute walk from the historical Old Town center with countless monuments, museums, restaurants, and cafes. It is also in the vicinity of the main railway station, regional bus station, and a large transit hub making commuting to and from the university easy and convenient.

Further details on the program are available at: [https://usac.edu/study-abroad-programs/poland/krakow](https://usac.edu/study-abroad-programs/poland/krakow)