The Institute for Rusyn Language and Culture at Prešov University is inaugurating the first international Summer School in Rusyn Language and Culture to take place in Prešov, Slovakia, between June 14 and July 4, 2010. The goal of Studium Carpato-Ruthenorum is to help students (from 18 years of age), scholars, and others interested in Rusyn studies attain proficiency or to improve their existing ability to communicate in the Rusyn language and to broaden their knowledge of Carpatho-Rusyn history and culture. Instruction will be provided by university professors, distinguished Slavists, and specialists in Carpatho-Rusyn studies.

The language of instruction, in parallel courses, will be either Rusyn or English. Language instruction consists of two hours per day of grammar and conversation, for a total of 30 hours. Language classes will be divided into three groups: Language instruction conducted in Rusyn (1) for beginners (levels A1, A2) and (2) for advanced students (levels B1, B2); and (3) language instruction only for beginners offered in English. Participants will also attend history and culture lectures, including presentations on Carpatho-Rusyn folklore and folk life, Carpathian wooden architecture, Carpatho-Rusyn literature, and other topics provided either in English or in Rusyn.

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will receive a certificate from the program. Course credit for university students is determined by the students’ home institutions. A full program of excursions to areas surrounding Prešov and populated by Carpatho-Rusyns, as well as social and cultural events, such as films and theater performances, is also planned. Scholarships for between five and ten participants to cover the costs of the program will be available. Participants interested in applying for a scholarship must send a special request along with their application in the form of a one-to-two-page essay describing their interest in the program and outlining their financial need.

The cost for the entire program (tuition, accommodations, three meals a day, extracurricular program) is 900 Euros (approximately $1300). Participants will subsidize their own travel to Prešov which can be reached by train from locations in Europe and by plane to the international airport in Košice with bus connections to Prešov.

For further information, please e-mail Patricia Krafick at krafckip@evergreen.edu. Completed applications may be emailed to the following address and must be received no later than March 1, 2010: urjk@unipo.sk. The postal address and phone number for the Institute for Rusyn Language and Culture at Prešov University is: Ústav rusínskeho jazyka a kultúry, Prešovská univerzita, Námestie legionárov 3, 080 01 Prešov, SLOVAK REPUBLIC. Phone: +412 (51) 7720 392.
APPLICATION
STUDIUM CARPATO-RUTHERORUM
SUMMER SCHOOL IN RUSYN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
PREŠOV UNIVERSITY

June 14-July 4, 2010

First name/Last name:
Date of Birth:
Postal Address:

E-mail Address:
Telephone:

Affiliation, if any, with an academic institution:

Please indicate your preferred language of instruction:
For the Rusyn language class:
______ Taught in English

______ Taught in Rusyn _____ Basic or _____ Advanced

For the Carpatho-Rusyn history lectures:

______ Taught in English

______ Taught in Rusyn

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