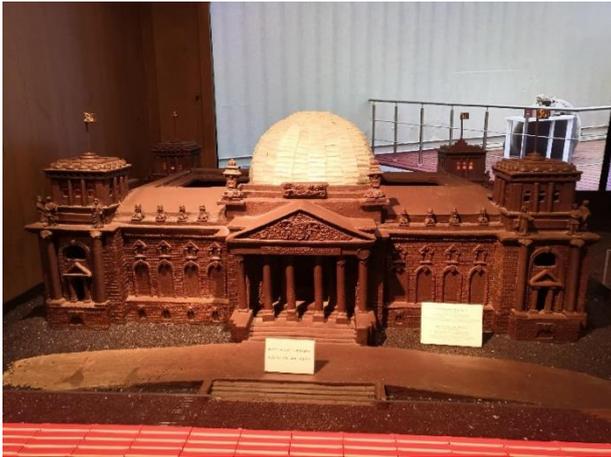




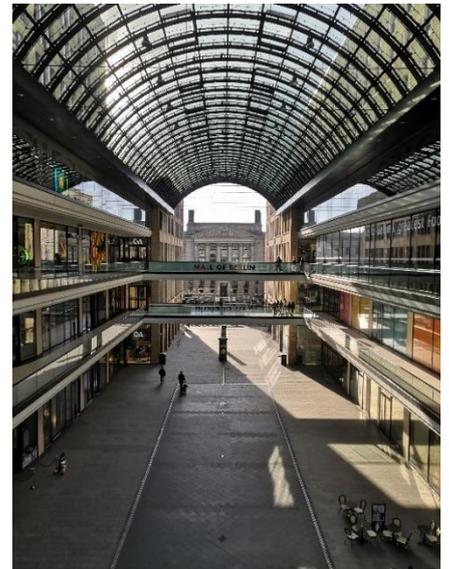
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**Social Sciences Berlin Trip.**

In February, a combined visit for Business, Economics, Psychology and



Sociology took 33 students to Berlin to examine these subjects in a European context. Students were able to visit the East German Cultural Museum to see what life was like for the average DDR citizen during the period of partition for Germany.



They showed the basic living standard that people had and some of the psychological methods that were placed upon the average citizen.

Next was the world famous Rausch chocolate shop. These are the people that Lindt copy on a mass scale, to see how they produce and market some of the world's finest and best chocolate. The picture shows a model of the Reichstag made entirely from chocolate. Students were then able to explore the Berlin Mall which is a major redevelopment project which has sparked a great deal of urban renewal in what was, until very recently, a predominantly derelict area.



The next day students visited the BMW motorcycle factory for a guided tour on how the bikes are



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produced and marketed worldwide. The importance of continued R&D and mechanisation was very apparent.

Afterwards was the visit to the Starsi Museum where students experienced how the DDR population was kept under control by various psychological and terror methods. A guided tour of central Berlin highlighted the change in social attitudes and psychologic pressure various regimes have placed upon the population. It was interesting that the famous burning of the books was not actually undertaken by the Nazis, but the Berlin student union.

On the last day students visited the Palace of Tears, which was the old check point between East and West where families had to depart from each other. The original 4 kiosks are still there, and students really got to see the cramped and over baring conditions that people had to cope with.

