RACE, GENDER AND CLASS IN CONTEMPORARY SOUTH AFRICA

Maymester Study Abroad Program:
May 9–June 3, 2016

SPONSORED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

3 SEMESTER HOURS

THE PROGRAM

This will meet from May 9 through June 3, 2016. The course will begin with a three day class room experience at GSU during which the historical context of South Africa, and the Apartheid system will be examined. The class will spend 15 days in South Africa where we will visit the Johannesburg, Pretoria and Cape Town. Participants will learn how class stratification, gender policy and changing racial categories have impacted South Africa today. Through lectures and discussions with social, educational, and community representatives, participants will examine the impact of the anti-apartheid movement, on South African Society today. Additionally participants will compare and contrast the South African process with the aftermath of the US civil rights/black power movement. In South Africa, participants will visit the Centre for human rights school of social work at UNISA and several community development projects. Participants will also visit and dialogue “Sikhula Sonke”, a woman led trade union. Additionally the class will visit an authentic traditional Zulu Village as well as go on Safari in a game preserve and Visit Robben Island where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Participants will stay in two comfortable guest houses, the Plum Pudding Guest house and Arusha Lodge In the Johannesburg area. Participants will also stay in a Holiday Inn Express hotel in and Cape Town.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION

Students with documented disabilities who may need accommodations during their study abroad experience should discuss these needs with the Program Director and the Office of Disability Services at the time of application.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 4, 2015

Tentative Itinerary

May 12 Depart Atlanta
May 13 Arrive in Johannesburg Transfer to hotel.
May 14 Visit the Centre for human rights school of social work at UNISA.
May 15 Tour Pretoria. Study of traditional Zulu Culture and other indigenous cultures.
May 16 Tour Soweto: Apartheid Museum, Chris Hani Hospital and community development projects
May 17 Flight to Capetown. Lecture with YIPSA (Young in prison South Africa)
May 18 Visit the Sikhula Sonke in Western Cape,
May 19 Tour Capetown
May 20 Visit Langa Township
May 21 Western Cape. Women on Farms Project (WFP) (Guest Lecture)
May 22 Aquila Private Game Reserve all day.
May 23 Robben Island, and the fight for South Africa’s Political Prisoners.
May 24 Free day – transfer to airport for flight home
May 25 Arrive home to Atlanta.
May 26 Wrap up and conclusion of class.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ELIGIBILITY
The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of the Georgia State University College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of African American Studies. Students from colleges and universities outside of GSU may be eligible contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

CREDITS AND COURSES
Participants who successfully complete the program’s course will receive 3 semester hours of course credit at Georgia State University. Undergraduate students should register for AAS 5975 and graduate students should register for AAS 6095. Students from other institutions should follow their institution’s regulations concerning transfer credits.

APPLICATION INFORMATION
Students interested in applying should find this program’s listing at mystudyabroad.gsu.edu and begin an online application. Transient Students: please see the Transients Student section under the Explore & Apply tab.

International Students at Georgia State who hold F-1 visas must contact the Office of International Student and Scholar Services at 404-413-2070 to discuss the possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

COST
The program cost is tentatively set at $4,395.00, PLUS regular Georgia State University tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost.

FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Georgia State University students are eligible to apply for the IEF Study Abroad Scholarship/Georgia State University Foundation Scholarship and may be eligible to apply for the Global Experience Scholarship. Visit mystudyabroad.gsu.edu and select the Scholarships & Financial Aid tab or call the Study Abroad Programs office at (404) 413-2529 for more information.

Because program size is limited, early application is strongly advised. Individual interviews may be scheduled with students upon receipt of application.

Program Cost Includes
- Round-trip airfare from Atlanta
- All ground transportation, excursions and entrance fees
- All Breakfasts and Dinners
- Tours in private vehicles
- Experienced English-speaking guides
- Hotels
- Health/Evacuation/Repatriation insurance

Program Cost Does Not Include
- Georgia State tuition and fees
- Public transportation
- Passport
- Personal expenses and excess baggage charges
- Gratuity to drivers and guides
- Meals not listed

PAYMENT SCHEDULE
December 4, 2015 – $600.00 deposit with application
January 15, 2016 – $900.00 payment
February 15, 2016 – $900.00 payment
March 15, 2016 -- remaining balance

All payments are non-refundable upon receipt

Program Deposit Payments: Participants will pay program deposits by logging into PAWS. Please contact your Program Director to confirm that a Program Deposit Account has been established for this purpose before you attempt to make a payment in PAWS.

Program Payments and Remaining Program Balance: Other than the initial program deposit, all program payments—along with the remaining program balance—will be billed directly to your student account. Please refer to the Academic/Registration calendar for the tuition and fees deadline.