BARBADOS AND THE AMERICAN SOUTH

Spring Break Study Abroad Program: March 12 - 19, 2016

THE PROGRAM
Follow in the footsteps of George Washington and spend your spring break in the only foreign country the future president ever visited: Barbados. This Caribbean Eden beckons students to explore its shared history with the American South. Not only did Washington sleep here, but his experiences suggest the themes of the course: British colonialism and defense of empire, the plantation, slavery, and cash crop agriculture, tropical beauty, tourism, and warm waters lapping the golden sand. The island enjoys a reputation for its safety as a resort favored by aristocrats, celebrities, and millionaires who flock to its pristine beaches. Yet 400 years of settlement point to an equally rich history as a producer of sugar at the crossroads of trade among England, Africa and the Americas whose planters founded and whose people settled Carolina. So come explore a cultural heritage similar to the U. S. South and spend your spring break earning a course credit in the Caribbean paradise of Barbados.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Participants will stay in the Accra Beach Hotel and Spa, a comfortable, double-occupancy accommodation in a full-service resort located on the seashore beside the blue waters of the Caribbean. Situated on the south side of the island, the hotel is conveniently located near a variety of restaurants, stores, and other amenities. In addition to a large pool, the resort provides exercise and recreation equipment.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS
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.

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. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1, 2015

CONTACT INFORMATION
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CREDITS AND COURSES
Participants who successfully complete the requirements for the History Stand-Alone, Non-Paired Cross-Listed undergraduate or graduate “Barbados and the American South” Study Abroad class will receive (3) semester hours of course credit at Georgia State University. Undergraduate students should register for (HIST 4975) and graduate students should register for (HIST 8890). 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 Students and Scholar Services at (404) 413-2070 to discuss possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

COST
Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at $2,750.00, 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.