UGANDA: ESTEAM

THE PROGRAM
The ESTEAM (Environmental Science Team for Education, Arts & Multiculturalism) project will include activities for undergraduate and graduate students that focus on developing interdisciplinary learning while providing invaluable intercultural experience opportunities. Through a focus on fostering relationships with faculty and students from Makerere University and building relationships with local environmental, educational and cultural organizations, ESTEAM will provide unique opportunities for GSU students to gain new understandings through experiences in Ugandan urban, rural and natural settings. Visits to national parks, businesses and schools will allow students to explore connections between cultural art, ecotourism and the environment. In addition, participants will learn to communicate ideas and solutions within communities, develop context appropriate lessons, and understand innovative approaches to micro-enterprise.

ELIGIBILITY
The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of the Georgia State University College of Education & Human Development. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the program director.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Participants will stay in a double-occupancy hotel located in Entebbe. Upon arrival to Kampala, students will stay at the hotel located on the grounds of Makerere University. During travels to national parks, micro-enterprise businesses and schools, accommodations will vary but every effort will be made to make sure your stay is safe and comfortable.

Day 1 and 2: Travel to Uganda, stay at Entebbe Airport Guest House in Entebbe.
Day 3: Travel to Kampala, orientation to Makerere University.
Day 4: Field visits to: Uganda Crafts 2000 Ltd, the Uganda Museum, Kyambogo University
Day 5: Travel to Masaka. Work with Kibinge community at schools through Let Art Talk.
Day 6-8: Through Project WET, Let Art Talk and Roots and Shoots Curriculum
Day 9-10: Drive to Lake Mburo National Park, discussion of connections between cultural art, ecotourism and the environment. Discussion with park wardens on environmental issues related to the park. Scientific illustration of flora and fauna.
Day 11-12: Travel to Queen Elizabeth National Park. Discussion with Park Rangers about park conservation and micro-enterprise related to the park. Visit the bat cave in Maramagambo and evening study of salt mining around Lake Katwe.
Day 13-14: Travel to Kibale National Park. Chimp trekking and Bigodi wetland walk to study the impact of tourism on environment. Study natural dye processes with artisans and community brewery micro-enterprise that uses ripe banana and sorghum.
Day 15-17: Travel to Masindi via Hoima along the Albertine Rift. Visit Masindi Secondary School and Hope North School to see vocational training and community art and development projects.
Day 15-16: Travel to Jinja. Study past effects and future plans for Mabira Forest and Bujagali Falls. Visit Brushfire Women’s group who make plaiting for a London based milliner.
Day 17: Travel to Kampala and prepare for return travel
Day 18: Depart Uganda for USA

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2016

CONTACT INFORMATION
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3 SEMESTER HOURS
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.

CREDITS AND COURSES
Participants who successfully complete the program’s ECEE 4700 ECEE 8000 courses will receive 3 semester hours of course credit at Georgia State University. Undergraduate students should register for ECEE 4700 and graduate students should register for ECEE 8000. 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
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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.

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Program Cost Includes
- Round-trip airfare
- All ground transportation, excursions and entrance fees
- Breakfast and dinner meals
- Hotels
- Health/Evacuation/Repatriation insurance

Program Cost Does Not Include
- Georgia State tuition and fees
- Passport
- Personal expenses and excess baggage charges
- Transportation to and from the Atlanta Airport

APRIL 15: $250.00 Deposit with application
Date: $2,235.00 Remaining balance
All payments are non-refundable upon receipt after APRIL 15.

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.

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