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Jamaica

June 11 – 25  
3 HOURS CREDIT

Jamaica Study  
Abroad &  
Maroon  
Immersion  
Program

Sponsored by  
the Department  
of History



## Port Royal, Port Antonio, Ocho Rios & Maroon Country, Jamaica

### TENTATIVE ITINERARY

Highlights of the program are provided below. This is a tentative schedule subject to change at the discretion of the Program Director. The university reserves the right to alter travel and other arrangements if required by circumstances.

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| Spring 2014 | Mandatory pre-departure orientation, lecture and film screenings (dates TBA).  |
| June 11–14  | Kingston, St. Andrew & St. Catherine. Welcome reception, lectures at UWI, visits to Bob Marley and Marcus Garvey Museums   |
| June 15–19  | Blue and John Crow Mountains National Park. Lodging at Ambassabeth Eco Lodge Cabins and with local Maroon families; hiking of Maroon Heritage Trail; walking tours of Maroon villages and farms, including Moore Town; cultural performances; lectures on Maroon history, culture, traditional medicine and healing practices. |
| June 20     | Port Antonio, Portland. Tour of the historic town of Port Royal, including St. Margaret's Bay, Blue Lagoon, Craft Market and Errol Flynn Marina.   |
| June 21–22  | Charles Town Maroon Conference, Portland. Lodging with local Maroon families;  |

June 23

Students will listen to presentations given by scholars and Maroons; hike to ruins of 18th century coffee plantation; tours of Charles Town Maroon Museum; and cultural performance at Asafu Yard.

June 24

Ocho Rios, St. Ann. Visit Seville Heritage Park (site of Christopher Columbus' first landing in Jamaica); and Dunn's River Falls. Kingston & St. Andrew. Visits to National Heroes Circle to see the changing of the guards and memorials of Jamaica's national heroes; Emancipation Park; bon voyage reception.

June 25

Depart for Atlanta.

### CONTACT

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### APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 20, 2014

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



## THE PROGRAM

The Jamaica Study Abroad and Maroon Immersion Program is a two-week summer voyage to Jamaica, which focuses on the history and culture of the Maroons. The Maroons are descendants of rebel slaves from West Africa who defeated the British and formed autonomous societies in the remote interiors of Jamaica in the 17th century. This program offers a first-hand opportunity to explore and research more than 500 years of Jamaica's diverse and dynamic history and culture, including the contemporary challenges of a developing island-nation in a globalizing world.

Participants will visit national heritage sites relating to the peoples, places and events of significance to Jamaican history, spanning the pre-colonial era of the indigenous Tainos, Spanish and British colonialism, the arrival of enslaved Africans and indentured Asians, and 50 years of political independence. Students will learn about pirates such as Henry Morgan, High Priestess Nanny of the Maroons, Pan-Africanist pioneer Marcus Garvey, reggae music icon Bob Marley and world's fastest man Usain Bolt. Program highlights include hiking the 500-year-old Cunha Cunha Pass Maroon Heritage Trail, lodging at the Ambassabeth Eco Lodge Cabins and home-stays with Maroon families. Lectures will be delivered by community experts, University of the West Indies and international faculty.

## Jamaica: Study Abroad & Maroon Immersion Program

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Participants will stay in comfortable, multiple-occupancy hotels, cabins, halls of residence and homes throughout various parishes, including the University of the West Indies Halls of Residence in Mona, Kingston, Ambassabeth Eco Lodge Cabins in the Rio Grande Valley, Hotel Tim Bamboo in Port Antonio and Shaw Park Beach Hotel in Ocho Rios. Students will also stay in the modest homes of local families in the Maroon villages nestled in the valleys of the Blue and John Crow Mountains National Park in eastern Jamaica.

### Disability Accommodations

*Several days will be spent in mountainous and rugged terrain, involving hikes to historically, culturally and environmentally significant sites. Students should be physically fit and capable of walking unaided for several hours. 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 all upper division undergraduates, graduate students, alumni and professionals in the field. Program size is limited, and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the program director.

### CREDITS AND COURSES

Participants who successfully complete the program will receive three semester hours of course credit at Georgia State University. Undergraduate students will register for HIST 4975 - Study Abroad and graduate students will register for HIST 8460 - Seminar in Atlantic World History, for the summer 2014 term. There is also a mandatory pre-departure orientation, lecture and film screenings to take place during the spring semester. The dates and venue will be emailed to accepted students. Students from other institutions should follow their institution's regulations concerning transfer credits.

### COST

Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at \$2,100, **PLUS** regular Georgia State tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a \$250 fee in addition to the program cost.

#### Price Includes

- Welcome reception, lectures and cultural performances.
- Multiple occupancy accommodations at the University of the West Indies Halls of Residence, Ambassabeth Eco Lodge Cabins, hotels and homes stays with Maroon families. Single occupancy requests will require additional charges.
- Most meals.
- Chartered ground transportation, excursions and entrance fees.
- Educational lectures and cultural events.
- Health/Evacuation/Repatriation Insurance.

#### Price Does NOT Include

- Round-trip airfare.
- Excess baggage charges.
- Passport application.
- Personal expenses and tips.
- Georgia State tuition and fees.

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

**January 20, 2014** – \$600 deposit with application  
**February 24, 2014** - \$750 payment  
**March 14, 2014** - \$750 remaining balance  
 (All payments are non-refundable upon receipt.)

Please pay for your program deposit by finding the program listing at [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad) and following the payment instructions listed there. See your program director for more information. Please refer to the Academic/Registration calendar for the tuition and fees deadline. All tuition and fees must be paid in full before departure.



### FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Georgia State 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 [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad) or contact the Office of International Initiatives, Study Abroad Programs at **404-413-2529** for more information.

Contact the Office of Financial Aid at **404-413-2400** for information on how financial aid might apply toward the program.

Students have the option of purchasing an "International Student ID Card" from STA Travel for travel discounts in participating countries. For more information, visit the STA Travel website at [www.sta-travel.com](http://www.sta-travel.com).

### APPLICATION INFORMATION

Students interested in applying should find this program's listing at [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad) and begin an application. Because program size is limited, early application is strongly advised. Individual interviews may be scheduled with students upon receipt of application.

**Transient Students:** Please see *Transient Student Procedure in the Application Packet*.

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.

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