ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOL-RELATED HARM IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT: PREVENTION AND POLICY STRATEGIES, KAMPALA, UGANDA

Maymester Study Abroad Program: May 8–31, 2016

THE PROGRAM
The program is aimed to provide an educational, applied, and cultural opportunity for up to 15 students interested in public health research and practice in the epidemiology of alcohol use and alcohol-related harm in Uganda. Students will be introduced to information about public health issues from a global perspective. Through mentoring and hands on experiential activities, students will gain invaluable knowledge and skills that will augment their academic preparation at Georgia State University (GSU).

The program offers coursework in the global epidemiology of alcohol use, particularly in vulnerable populations. The course will place special emphasis on the structural drivers of alcohol use and alcohol-related harm including injuries, violence and HIV primarily among youth and young adults. Instruction will be provided by GSU professors and professors at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, as well as by local Non-governmental Organizational partners who work in the alcohol prevention field or health promotion more broadly. Our key collaborator, the Makerere University is a flagship university in Eastern Africa. The university is considered highly prestigious and is very research active with substantial research funding from the U.S.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Participants will stay in a comfortable, double-occupancy hotel near our partner organizations and the city center of Kampala, Uganda. Final hotel selection has not been made yet.

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Program Directors:

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15, 2015
ELIGIBILITY
No prerequisites are required. Students from all disciplines are welcome to participate in
the course, especially given that we will focus on cross cutting topics that include
adolescent health, substance use, violence prevention, injury prevention, infectious diseases,
sexual and reproductive health, health disparities, social determinants of health, geographic
mapping, urban health, built environment, marketing, policy development and working with
NGOs. 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. Students from other institutions should follow
their institution’s regulations concerning transfer credits.

APPLICATION INFORMATION
Students from all majors and degree programs are encouraged to apply. Non-Georgia State
participants must first apply for transient student status through Georgia State. Following
application, Georgia State and non-Georgia State students must meet with the program
director, Dr. Monica Swahn for a 15-minute interview. Students must also meet with
financial aid to ensure necessary funding. Students are encouraged to apply for the
International Education Fee (IEF) and Global Experience Scholarships (GES) before February
14, 2016. Scholarship eligibility requirements may be found at the Georgia State study
abroad website.

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
Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel
arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at $4,453.00, 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.

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
• All ground transportation, excursions and entrance fees
• Lunch and Dinner daily
• Hotels
• Health/Evacuation/Repatriation insurance

Program Cost Does Not Include
• Georgia State tuition and fees
• Visa Cost
• Public transportation in Uganda
• Passport
• Personal expenses and excess baggage charges

APPLICATION DEADLINE: December 15, 2015

PAYMENT SCHEDULE
December 15, 2015: $500 Deposit with application
February 15, 2016: $1000 First Payment
March 15, 2016: $1953 Second Payment
April 15, 2016: $1000 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.

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

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