COLLECTIVE HEALTH: RESEARCH AND PRACTICE IN BRAZIL

Spring Study Abroad Program
May 6-28, 2017

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Program Description
The program will provide an educational and cultural opportunity for 10-15 graduate students interested in global public health research with a focus on collective health, health promotion and epidemiology as conducted in Salvador, Brazil. The aim is to prepare our students to be informed and exposed to current public health issues from a global perspective. Students will gain invaluable knowledge and skills that will augment their academic preparation here at Georgia State University. The program will include: in-class instruction, weekly public health field trips in the city of Salvador, cross cultural lectures, and an applied research project as well as language instruction and homestays. Students will also participate in excursions in the state of Bahia. The program objectives are to develop coursework focused on understanding the similarities and differences between study and practice of public health and collective health in the United States and Brazil. The course will as foster critical thinking, learning about analytic tools and approaches to public health research, with instruction coming from professors at Georgia State University and the Institute of Collective Health at the Federal University of Bahia (ISC) as well as through the Associação Cultural Brasil-Estados Unidos (ACBEU).

Accommodations
Students will participate in a homestay with a Brazilian family located near ACBEU (our cultural programming partner). Through an application and matching process, students will be paired with families which have been carefully selected by the professional ACBEU staff. Living with a family will offer students the opportunity to learn about Brazilian customs, culture, and cuisine as well as have the chance to interact daily using and improving their language skills. The homes are located within close proximity of the ACBEU and ISC campuses and include scheduled meals, a private room and laundry services.

Application Information
Students must be enrolled in graduate courses. Students from all disciplines are welcome to participate in the course especially given that we will focus on chronic disease, infectious disease, health disparities and social determinants of health all of which can be applicable across disciplines. 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.

Application Deadline: December 16, 2016
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Atlanta, GA

Students will depart for Salvador Brazil on May 6, 2017.

Salvador, Brazil

Weekend excursions to Lençóis and day-long trip to Praia do Forte in the state of Bahia.

Interaction with faculty and students from the Institute of Collective Health at the Federal University of Bahia.

Hands-on field experiences in public health research and practice.

Portuguese language courses.

Courses and Credits

Participants who successfully complete the program’s course will receive three semester hours of course credit at Georgia State. Students from other institutions should follow their institution’s regulations concerning transfer credits.

Program Cost

Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The estimated program cost is $4500.00, PLUS regular Georgia State University tuition and fees. Students should also be prepared to pay any associated cost with the application for a new passport or renewal of a passport if applicable. There is also a cost for a visa which is currently set at $180. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost.

For more information on what the program cost does and does not include, please visit: http://www.studyabroad.gsu.edu/?go=SPHBrazil

SAPP Discount

In order to qualify for the $1000.00 Study Abroad with Peers Discount, students must:
1) Complete the program application
2) Gain acceptance into the program, and
3) pay the $500.00 Study Abroad with Peers program deposit.

Students who do not meet the above requirements will be eligible to apply for the $1000.00 IEF Scholarship award; but please note, students cannot receive both the Discount and the IEF Award. All students are strongly encouraged to apply for the IEF Scholarship award in the case that they may not be one of the first 10 applicants to receive the $1000.00 Discount. As with all GSU Maymester and Summer programs, students may also apply for the need-based, Global Experience Scholarship Award.

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