COLLECTIVE HEALTH: RESEARCH AND PRACTICE IN BRAZIL

Summer Study Abroad Program
June 29-July 23, 2018

Program Directors
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Program Description

The program will provide an educational and cultural opportunity for 10-15 graduate and undergraduate 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 the study and practice of public health and collective health in the United States and Brazil. The course will foster critical thinking and introduce learning about analytic tools and global approaches to public health research. Instruction will include professors at Georgia State University and the Institute of Collective Health at the Federal University of Bahia (ISC) as well as include cultural lectures and community-based visits organized by the Associação Cultural Brasil-States Unidos (ACBEU).

Application Information

Students must be enrolled in grad/undergrad 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.

Accomodations

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 Deadline: January 31, 2018
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Atlanta, GA

Students will depart for Salvador Brazil on June 29, 2018.

Salvador, Brazil

Weekend hiking excursion to Lençóis
Day trip to the beach town of Praia do Forte
Interaction with faculty and students from Federal University of Bahia
Hands-on field experiences in public health research and practice
Portuguese language courses
Cultural immersion through homestay

Atlanta, GA

Students will return to Atlanta on July 23, 2018.

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 $4750.00, 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 $160. 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

Scholarships

Students may be eligible for a variety of scholarships including the IEF scholarship. To be considered for this scholarship, students must:
1) Complete the program application
2) Gain acceptance into the program, and
3) Pay the $500.00 program deposit
4) Meet the GPA eligibility requirements.

Students may also apply for additional scholarships and can receive additional information about these through the study abroad office.

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