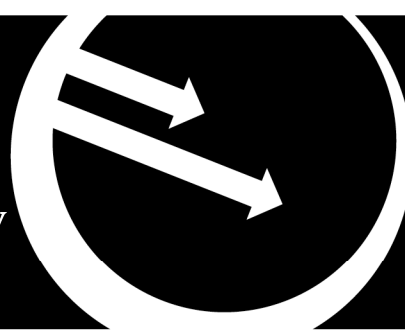


INDIA

Social Work in the Context of a Developing Country
OSU Sponsored Study Abroad Program



Program Highlights

Dates

Summer Quarter
July 23 – August 17, 2010

Locations

Chennai, Bangalore

Program Costs

- Ohio State tuition (10 hrs)
 - Program fee of \$1,156.
 - International airfare
- See “program costs” section

Application Deadline

February 1, 2010

Eligibility

- 2.7 GPA (3.0 GPA for graduate students)

Academic Credit

Social Work

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Program

The Ohio State Study Abroad Program in India is designed to introduce students in social work majors and other related human service field to social, health, and economic practices in context to a developing country. This program will introduce students to the history, culture, and society of India. It will also cover contents related to health and mental health programs in India. The three-week program will be taught in English by faculty members affiliated to the Madras Universities and Karnataka Universities.

Location

The program will be held in two locations in Southern states in India: Chennai, TamilNadu and Bangalore, Karnataka. Situated along the Bay of Bengal, the city of Chennai (formerly Madras) is India's fourth largest most populous city in India and is considered as the major educational and cultural center in the south. Boasting a beautiful palm tree-lined coastline, stunning Victorian era buildings, and a rich cultural life with distinctive traditions of art and cuisine, Chennai is also the gateway to the Dravidian temple towns of South India. Located on the Deccan Plateau in the south-eastern part of Karnataka, Bangalore is India's third most populous city. A demographically diverse city, Bangalore is a major economic hub and the fastest growing major metropolis in India. It is considered as the 'silicon valley' of India, with many modern amenities and culturally rich heritage in music, arts and science. Newcomers to Chennai and Bangalore are impressed with the friendliness of their south Indian hosts. Both the cities are well connected by air and an efficient rail system to other important business and cultural areas in India.

Field Trips

The program includes field trips to sites of historical and cultural importance and to local social, health and mental health agencies. These and other excursions are an integral part of the program and are required of all participants.

Courses and Credit

Students will earn 10 hours of Ohio State credit in Social Work and International Studies. Lectures will be provided by the faculty of the host institution and other local experts. Professor Shantha Balaswamy from the Ohio State College of Social Work will accompany the group and serve as its resident and academic director.

Accommodations

Student accommodations in Chennai are modest shared rooms with hot water, western toilets, and air-conditioning. In Bangalore, students stay in a dormitory with modest accommodations, western toilets, and air-conditioned shared rooms.

Program Costs

The cost of the summer 2010 program is Ohio State tuition (10 hours) plus a study abroad program fee of \$1,156, which includes in-country instruction, housing, some meals, program-related field trips, and supplemental health insurance. Students are responsible for pre-departure expenses (passport, visa fee, health appointment and immunizations), international airfare (estimated \$2,600 to \$2,800), and some meals. Students should budget an additional \$500 to \$900 for miscellaneous expenses (optional field trips, some meals, tips, personal expenses, etc.).

Pre-departure Orientation

All students will be required to participate in on-campus pre-departure orientations organized by the Office of International Affairs. These sessions will offer important information on travel, health, academic expectations, history, and culture. The dates and locations of orientation meetings will be provided in the letter of acceptance.

Application Information

Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad Application online via buckeyelink.osu.edu. Please note that upon application, a \$150 application fee will be assessed to your Statement of Fees and Accounts. The application fee will be refunded only if you are not accepted or submit a written request to withdraw your application prior to the application deadline. If you withdraw any time after the date of your notification of acceptance to a study abroad program, you will be responsible for any non-recoverable costs that have been incurred on your behalf plus a \$200 cancellation fee.

Passports

Passports are required for every Ohio State study abroad program. For many study abroad destinations, passport information is required to apply for an entry visa (as early as 6 months prior to departure). For information about applying for a passport, go to travel.state.gov.

Web Sites

Ohio State Funding Opportunities	oia.osu.edu
U.S. Department of State	travel.state.gov (travel warnings/country specific information)
Centers for Disease Control	cdc.gov/travel (geographic health recommendations)

Contact Us

The Office of International Affairs is located in Oxley Hall, 1712 Neil Avenue. Please see oia.osu.edu for information about Getting Started information sessions, Program Exploration walk-in hours, and Study Abroad Coordinator office hours.

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