Stern International Volunteers Ghana
Enhances Stern’s Social Impact Core with Experiential Learning & Social Entrepreneurship

COURSE OBJECTIVES

▪ Study Ghanaian history, economy, culture & legal rights
▪ Learn how to be a social entrepreneur & utilize design thinking
▪ Implement social entrepreneurship projects
▪ Teach business skills to village residents
▪ Immersion in Ghanaian culture
▪ Confront real life business challenges

AND

▪ Provide students with a unique experience that they can add to their portfolio of achievements
The Stern International Volunteers experience is Service Learning Trip to Ghana* & 3-credit course

Stern International Volunteers: Ghana (SOIM-UB 2000)

OPEN TO:
Freshmen, Sophomores & Seniors.
And Juniors who forego the ISP trip

COUNTS TOWARDS:

- Stern’s Social Entrepreneurship Minor
- Stern’s Global Business Minor
- Wagner’s Public Policy & Management Minor
- Stern’s Co-Concentration in Sustainable Business

NYU Stern will be partnering with NYU in Accra to ensure a sustainable and enriching experience
Class Overview

• Class dates
  • January 26, 2017 – May 4, 2017

• Meeting Time
  • Thursdays, 9:30am – 10:45am

• Course Work (no exams)
  • Homework (25%)
  • Participation – in class & on the trip (25%)
  • Social Entrepreneurship Project (25%)
  • Reflection Essay (25%) – journal trip experiences
Trip Overview

• Tentative Travel Dates: Spring Break 2017
  • Arrive in Ghana on Friday, March 10, 2017
  • Depart for USA on Saturday, March 18, 2017

• Chaperones:
Students will be accompanied throughout the entire trip by Two Stern faculty & a
member of the NYU Accra staff who will provide guidance & support.

• Housing: Students and faculty stay in hotels during their travels in Ghana

• Meals: All meals will be catered

• Water: Bottled water will always be available

• Safety: NYU Accra nurse on 24 hour call

• Health Insurance: All students covered by travel health insurance

• In Country Transportation: Students will travel together on a chartered tour bus
A Typical Day in Waodze Tsatoe (WT)

- Early wake-up
- Travel from hotel to Waodze Tsatoe (approx. 40 mins – 1 hr)
- Breakfast at WT & discuss daily schedule
- Break out into building & education groups (switch groups each morning)
- Lunch & group reflections
- Break out into social entrepreneurship teams – meet with community members, data collection & project implementation
- Cultural immersion activity, i.e. cook with family, observe fishing/agriculture, sports & games with children, visit local crafts people, observe local market, etc.
- Dinner at WT or back at hotel
- After dinner group reflection
We will visit historical, business & cultural sites
Past trips have included visits to:

Academic
- University of Ghana
- Labone Primary School

Historical
- Kwame Nkrumah Memorial

Environmental
- Tafi Alome Monkey Sanctuary
- Wli Waterfalls

Social Entrepreneurship/Business
- Kuapakokoo Cooperative
- Blue Skies Fruit Juice
Expenses Paid by Students

Estimated Student Expenses

Trip fee of $1700 (in addition to spring 2017 tuition), Roundtrip airfare ($1500), Immunizations & Visa ($70).

INCLUDED in the $1700 Trip Fee*:

- Round trip transportation from/to airport in Ghana, all hotels, service site & cultural activities
- All Housing (hotels)
- All Meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
- Costs to NGO: volunteer experience & supplies to the community

Financial Aid & Trip Stipends:

- Stipends are available and will be awarded based on financial need, if a current FAFSA is on file with NYU

* Stern’s Social Impact Initiatives Program generously subsidizes program costs
We welcome your Questions & Comments