

SPRING 2020 STUDY ABROAD

India

Delhi, India
May 10 – 20, 2020
CAST 3994 Foundations of Christian Culture and Dialogue
CORE 3748/ RELS 3208/HIST 4281/Honors Seminar
3 Undergraduate Credits
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This 10-day study-abroad trip will introduce students to the rich religious and cultural heritage of India. It will also help them understand the intersections between Hinduism and Christianity. We will visit a variety of sites associated with Mother Theresa, engage in service to the underprivileged, and visit important sites of Roman Catholicism, Anglicanism, and Protestantism. The trip will include an audience with the Dali Lama. In addition to the religious dimensions of the trip, students will experience the rich cultural life of northern India. We will visit the Taj Mahal, take a river cruise in Kerala, and visit Sheroes Café, where girls who have been victims of Acid Attacks are now fighting back. This is pilot program/course we are launching for the first time in collaboration with the dean's office, but we are hoping to offer it on a regular basis. The course focuses on the dialogue between the Catholic intellectual tradition and Indian culture. As such, it is inclusive, diverse, ecumenical and inter-religious.

Tentative Itinerary

May 10th: Arrival / Delhi - Overnight at Jaypee Siddharth, Delhi

May 11th: Delhi - Overnight at Jaypee Siddharth, Delhi

May 12th: Delhi / Agra / Taj Mahal - Overnight at Hotel Jaypee Siddharth

May 13th: Delhi /Dharamshala – Accommodations to be announced

May 14th - 15th: Dharamshala – Accommodations to be announced

16th May: Dharamshala / Delhi / Kolkata - Overnight at Hotel De-Sovrani

17th May: Kolkata - Overnight at Hotel De-Sovrani

18th May: Kolkata / Cochin - Overnight at Poovarth Heritage

19th May: Cochin / Alleppey / Houseboat / Kotayam - Overnight at Poovarth Heritage

20th May: Cochin / Departure

Participant Requirements

Participants should be aware that the trip will involve:

- Walking 10 miles per day
- Hiking or walking through rugged and/or uneven terrain
- Adapting to a different diet: Traditional Indian cuisine
- Dressing and behaving according to local customs
- Vaccinations for certain endemic diseases
- Exposure to high temperatures and/or humidity
- Travel on boats and/or other marine vessels
- Travel on non-traditional and/or non-motorized transportation (i.e. bicycles, horseback, camelback, etc.)

Program Costs to Student in Addition to SHU Tuition and Airfare:

Undergraduate tuition will be included in your spring 2020 flat tuition rate

Round-trip Airfare	\$1,200
Local Travel	350
Lodging (single)	850
Meals	200
Other:	400
Portion of instructor travel costs	400

TOTAL: \$3,400*

Basis for SHU Grade in the Course

- Journal entries
- Reflection paper
- Service activities

^{*} If you require accommodations to participate, students are encouraged to begin discussions with Disability Support Services at least six (6) months before the trip's scheduled departure date. If you have any questions about this process, please contact DSS at: dss@shu.edu

^{*} Total price does <u>not</u> include tuition. Undergraduate tuition for the course will be included in your spring 2020 flat tuition rate, which covers 12-18 credits. Price subject to change based on number of participants and any other changes.