International Field Experience

Cultural & Spanish Language for Social Workers in Costa Rica

Course A only: July 19—August 3, 2014
Courses A & B (combined): July 19—August 16, 20134

Led by: Dawn Williamson, PSU Faculty

Course A:
The Cultural and Spanish Language Immersion for Social Workers class is a two-week course offered with home stays in Grecia, Costa Rica. The academic content includes daily Spanish classes in the morning and afternoon lectures about Latino culture, Central American social services, and the social work profession in Costa Rica compared and contrasted with the United States. There are several field trips to various social service organizations around the central region of Costa Rica.

Course B (extended stay):
The optional extended stay will be available for one additional credit that students will register for as an independent study SW 405/505 Readings and Conference course. During this additional week students will participate in additional Spanish classes in the morning with site visits and volunteer work within the local community in the afternoons.

The course is designed for graduate students, but is available to BSW students with consent of instructor and the BSW Program Director.

* Course A = 3 credits; Course B = 2 credits. Total of 3-5 credits possible.

Financial Aid Applicable

Term:
Summer 2014

Courses Offered:
SW 410/510 – Cultural and Spanish Language Immersion for Social Workers in Costa Rica (Course A)
SW 405/505 – Independent Study Volunteer Experience in Costa Rica (Course B)

Credit Offered:
Course A — 3 credits
Course B — 2 credits
Courses A & B: 5 credits total

Open to:
Junior, seniors, and graduates pursuing Social Work. Non-PSU students are welcome.

Course A (total costs): $4,145 [Includes program fees of $2,214 and all estimated additional costs of $1,930]
Course B (total costs): $2,460 [Includes program fees of $1,760 and all estimated additional costs of $700]
Combined Course A & B: $6,605 [Includes program fees and all estimated additional costs]

Application & Information available on-line at:
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Application Deadline: 03/17/2014