Why explore life in a megacity? What is life like in a megacity? How do the inhabitants move around? How do they access basic services? Who are the new inhabitants and how do they integrate to the city?

In 1960 less than 22% of the population of developing nations lived in cities. By 1990 the percentage had reached 34%, and it is estimated to be nearly 50% in 2015. The massive shift of population into cities can result in growing productivity, but also implies greater pollution and congestion and expanded demand for housing, drinking water, sewage infrastructure, public transportation, health and education services and parks.

We tackle these and other questions related to life in megacities in Latin America. During three weeks in Buenos Aires we will use public transportation to study the history of the city, explore the realities of social and income inequality and experience the thrill of a diverse urban environment. Excursions will include a night at a Milonga, traditional tango dancing event, and a visit to a market primarily run by immigrants from Bolivia and Peru.

Program Fee/Tuition: $2,835 [accommodation, some meals, excursions, transportation]
Additional estimated student expenses: $2,760 [airfare, non-programmed meals, sightseeing]

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