South Africa

“Transformations Within the New South Africa”

Summer Study Abroad Course

May 24 - June 9, 2012
This course will examine social issues, development strategies, and health programs in the new South Africa. We will explore how the country’s fledgling democracy and its people are redesigning organizations and interventions to respond to the needs of all South Africans.

Our stays in Johannesburg and Cape Town will include visits to townships, local and national governmental and non-governmental agencies, health and medical facilities, cultural and tourist landmarks, and universities.

Lectures and discussions on social development, the HIV/AIDS pandemic, political transitions, and racial and cultural issues in South Africa will accompany this experience, allowing opportunity for analysis, reflection and collective learning.

We will engage with people working in townships such as Soweto, visit a medical facility treating persons with HIV/AIDS and cultural centers and museums.

We will also meet with South African students and with UNC School of Social Work graduates teaching and practicing social work in South Africa.

**Enrollment**
This course is open to all MSW graduate students, as well as practitioners, administrators, and educators in social work who want to learn more about social issues and culture in southern Africa. Friends and family members of participants are also welcome; however, priority will be given to students and social work educators and practitioners. There are no prerequisites for this course.

**Course Credit**
Students taking the course for credit will earn three credit hours.

**Program Faculty**
The program leaders for this trip are faculty from the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Social Work and include Gina Chowa, MSW, PhD, Assistant Professor; Dan Hudgins, MSW, Clinical Assistant Professor; and Sharon Holmes Thomas, MSW, Clinical Assistant Professor, Director of Recruitment, Admissions & Financial Aid.

**Program Costs**
The cost of this trip is estimated at $2,650 plus airfare. Program costs are based on a minimum of 20 participants. Program costs are calculated on the current value of the Rand. Final program costs may vary based on the value of the Rand. The program cost includes: program instructional costs, double occupancy lodging and most meals, group excursions and cultural events, local transportation, agency visits and guest lecturers, and medical insurance. Extra excursions such as an optional safari from Cape Town and personal expenses, passport costs, and optional gratuities are NOT included in program costs.
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Airline Costs
Current rates for round-trip airfare from Raleigh to Johannesburg and returning from South Africa are around $1,600.

Application and Payment Schedule
- March 1, 2012 – Applications due
- March 15, 2012 – Participants notified of acceptance
- April 2, 2012 – An initial deposit of $500, which includes a non-refundable $50 application fee, is due for program cost. (Make checks payable to “UNC-CH – School of Social Work”; include SA Summer Study Abroad in the memo.)
- May 1, 2012 – Program balance of $2,150 is due.

Financial Assistance
UNC-Chapel Hill students interested in financial aid for this summer school program should submit the “Summer Aid Application” to the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid no later than April 1. See: http://studentaid.unc.edu/studentaid/apply/ssa_summer.html. This program is not eligible for tuition and/or fee waiver.

For More Information
Contact Dan Hudgins at (919) 962-5163 or danhudgins@unc.edu.

Also see our trip webpage at: http://ssw.unc.edu/SouthAfrica2012 where you’ll find a link to our Facebook page, and stories and photo galleries from our previous trips.

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Johannesburg & Cape Town
South Africa
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UNC Chapel Hill
School of Social Work

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:
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Last         First      Middle

Address:
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Street             (Apt)          City, State                   Zip

Contact Information:       (        )                                (       )
Home Telephone                            Mobile                                      Email

Date of Birth:    /    /     Gender:               Country of Citizenship:                                .

School or Place of Employment?                                            *Position:                                                 .
*For students only, please include your degree program and expected graduation date instead of position.

Do you have a passport?                     List international travel in the past five years                         ,

Health/Disability: Do you have a health care issue or disability that will require special
accommodations? (e.g. ambulatory or repertory concerns, need for refrigerated medications)
Please describe below:

Do you intend to take the course ___ for credit ___ not for credit (check one).

Personal Statement:  Write a brief statement (250 words) about your interest in traveling to South Africa
and how participating in this program will contribute to your professional development. (Please attach
your statement to this application.)

Return Applications to:
Dan Hudgins, MSW
UNC School of Social Work, CB# 3550
325 Pittsboro Street
Chapel Hill, NC  27599  or
danhudgins@unc.edu
(919) 962-5163

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