

# SOCI298C : Travel/Study Abroad Experience

Students will learn about another country through on-site study that may include visitation to historic sites, libraries, archives, cultural events, and museums. The history, culture, economy, and politics of the host country will be examined. Students will increase their cultural awareness and cross-cultural sensitivity through exposure to people from different countries and cultures. As a school-sponsored travel/study abroad experience (at student's expense), this course combines the equivalent of 3 credits of classroom and field experience. A project is required to document the learning experience. May be repeated for credit with permission of the department chair.

**Credits** 3

**Lab/Practicum/Clinical Hours** 0

**Lecture Hours** 3

## **Prerequisites**

*Students are required to pass prerequisite courses with a grade of C or higher. Exceptions apply; please consult your department chair.*

- Students must take either PSYC105C, PSYC105MC, or SOCI105C, or gain permission of the department chair.

PSYC105C

SOCI105C

## **Learning Outcomes**

- Identify personal learning goals associated with the culture and area they will be visiting. Describe specific issues related to traveling to the specific country of the trip. Demonstrate familiarity with the basics of intercultural communication and identify problems that could arise. Explain the relationship between the U.S. and host country.
- Demonstrate awareness of how ethnocentrism influences attitudes and openness to new experiences. Demonstrate and appreciate diversity in the culture, politics, and belief systems of the host country.