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Explore Mexico City, Oaxaca City, and Oaxaca's Pacific Coast

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MANY MEXICOS

With

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Academic Program

This study abroad program offers students a taste of the many Mexicos that make the country one of the most fascinating and diverse in all of the Americas. From ancient ruins, colonial cathedrals, and tropical jungles to modern metropolises, thriving indigenous communities, and white sand beaches, Mexico contains a wealth of peoples and places to investigate.

At the beginning of the program, three days in Mexico City provides a look at megacity life in a group format with experienced trip leaders. Starting in this fascinating city will provide participants with an important reference point for their exploration of other natural and cultural sites visited during the trip.



Oaxaca City, population 250,000, is the next stop, where participants will experience the grandeur of Spanish colonialism and Mexico's indigenous past (Monte Alban) and present (Zapotec/Mixtec culture). A lively city center (the zócalo) is an excellent place to sit in a café and watch the street performers, passers by, and street vendors.

The last stop of the trip is the Pacific Coast of Oaxaca. The biologically diverse Oaxacan coast is experiencing rapid development as one of Mexico's premier eco-tourism destinations. As a consequence, the region faces many challenges balancing development

with good management of a variety of natural resources such as coral reefs, mangroves, and turtle nesting areas, among others. Participants with interests in environmental and development issues will find much to study and observe in this living laboratory.



Academics & Credit

Students will be registered during the fall quarter for three credits of HIST 498: Many Mexicos and three credits of ANTH 498: Environmental Cultures of Mexico, for a total of six credits. Course content is delivered through a combination of excursions, morning lectures, assigned readings, and evening group discussions. Course grades are comprised of participation and a 10-page final paper. By the end of this course, students will gain a greater appreciation for and knowledge of Mexico's diverse history, peoples, cultures, and environments.

Accommodations

Students will stay in shared hotel accommodations.



Eligibility

This program requires a minimum GPA of 2.5, as well as good academic and disciplinary standing at the university. In addition to academic strength, acceptance is based on personal commitment, flexibility, and suitability for study abroad. Interview may be required.

Program Fee

The program fee will be between \$2,500 and \$3,100, depending on enrollment and currency fluctuation. This includes cost of instruction, housing, breakfasts and lunches, cultural excursions and activities, and orientation. Not included: dinners, airfare, transportation to/from Seatac airport, books, personal expenses, travel or medical insurance.



Application & Fee Deadlines

Applications are available online at www.cwu.edu/~studyabroad. A \$50 non-refundable application fee must accompany your application.

Deadline for application: May 15, 2007

\$300 program deposit due: May 30, 2007

Program balance due: June 15, 2007 (non financial aid recipients only)

Financial Aid

Students are registered during fall quarter for this program, and so have access to academic year financial aid. Most types of financial aid apply toward program costs. For more information, please refer to the Financial Aid & Scholarships page at www.cwu.edu/~studyabroad.