Quito, Ecuador

Georgetown University Summer Study Abroad

Program Dates
May 25 - July 10, 2016

Language
Spanish

Requirements
The program is open to undergraduate students (Georgetown and non-Georgetown) and graduate students who have completed at least one year of college-level Spanish or the equivalent and have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Open to non-GU students
Yes

Tuition and Fees
The costs for summer 2016 are $10,950 for the Nature and Culture track and $9,025 for the Race, Gender and Ethnicity track. Program fees include tuition, room and board (homestay with two meals daily), lunch at USFQ, program excursions, travel to/from the university, academic fees, and supplemental insurance. Transportation to/from Quito is not included in the program cost.

Application Deadlines
December 3, 2015 and February 4, 2016

Apply Online at:
studyabroad.georgetown.edu

Program Description

This year, Georgetown University's Department of Spanish Language and Literature offers two exciting options on the campus of the Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ): "Latin American Nature and Culture" and "Race, Gender and Ethnicity in Latin America". The courses will be taught by distinguished professors from Georgetown University and USFQ.

Nature and Culture Students spend a week at the USFQ’s Biodiversity station in the Ecuadorian Amazonia and one week in the Galapagos Islands. Race, Gender and Ethnicity students also travel for two full weeks to different areas of the country. They visit indigenous communities in Riobamba and the Province of Chimborazo, the colonial city of Cuenca, Inca ruins, the Ecuadorian Amazonia, and participate in community projects in the Province of Azuay.

Students who successfully complete the Quito program will receive seven to nine Georgetown credits, depending on course selection. Participants can enroll in up to six credits of intensive Spanish language and literature. Spanish coursework is offered at the intermediate level and higher. The remaining credits are awarded for one of the following two options, each worth three credits: "Latin American Nature and Culture" or "Race, Gender and Ethnicity in Latin America." All coursework is conducted in Spanish.

Cultural activities open to all students include field excursions to Otavalo (indigenous market) and Ibara/Chota (Colonial city and Afro-Ecuadorian communities).

Quito is an exciting city with numerous historical and cultural resources. Pre-colonial and colonial museums together with modern social and governmental institutions make Quito a unique synthesis of the Hispanic traditions and modern developments in Latin America. A vibrant and beautiful city, Quito is an ideal place to study the Spanish language and to discover a rich and different world.

Accommodation
Students reside in private homes and thus have an opportunity to be part of the daily life of the city and its people. The residential arrangements are an integral part of the program in Quito, for they encourage students not only to become more fluent in Spanish, but also to get to know, in a personal way, the people and culture of Ecuador.
Academics

All participants enroll in seven to nine Georgetown credits, depending on course selection. Participants can enroll in up to six credits of intensive Spanish language and literature from among the following:

**SPAN-032-63**: Intensive Intermediate Spanish (6 credits)
**SPAN-111-63**: Intensive Advanced Spanish I (5 credits)
**SPAN-112-63**: Intensive Advanced Spanish II (5 credits)
**SPAN-161-63**: Oral Review (3 credits)
**SPAN-262-63**: Survey of Spanish American Literature II (3 credits)
**SPAN-266-63**: Latin American Literature: Contemporary Short Story (3 credits)
**SPAN-267-63**: Literature and Society in Latin America (3 credits)
**SPAN-275-63**: Ecuador: Culture, History and Politics (1 credit)

**Nature and Culture students must enroll in one of the following two courses:*
**SPAN-288-63**: Nature and Culture in Latin America, Intermediate (3 credits) OR
**SPAN-388-63**: Nature and Culture in Latin America, Advanced (3 credits)

**Race, Gender and Ethnicity must enroll in one of the following two courses:***
**SPAN-294-62**: Race, Gender and Ethnicity in Latin America, Intermediate (3 credits) OR
**SPAN-394-62**: Race, Gender and Ethnicity in Latin America, Advanced (3 credits)

Language Pledge

Students must pledge to speak only Spanish with the other members of the group during their stay in Ecuador. Breaking this pledge will result in a reduced course grade and possibly no credit.

Proficiency Exam

SFS students are able to take the proficiency exam in Ecuador at the end of the program.

For more information: [http://studyabroad.georgetown.edu](http://studyabroad.georgetown.edu)
[http://spanport.georgetown.edu/quitoprogram](http://spanport.georgetown.edu/quitoprogram)
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Withdrawals, Refunds, and Cancellation

Your acceptance form and program deposit are considered a good-faith commitment to participate on your Georgetown University summer program. Withdrawal from a summer program must be made in writing to the summer program coordinator. Please note that application fees and program deposits are non-refundable. Georgetown University will refund recoverable tuition and costs as determined by our partner institutions. Refunds will be calculated from the date the Office of Global Education is notified in writing of your intent to withdraw. Georgetown University is not responsible for indirect costs paid directly by the student, including but not limited to passport fees, vaccinations, and transportation costs.

Georgetown University reserves the right to adjust program fees or cancel any program without prior notification; however, every effort will be made to provide information on cancellations in a timely manner. In the event of cancellation, Georgetown University will refund program deposits and 100% of recoverable program fees.