Nursing & Cultural Immersion in Costa Rica  
NURS 4090S/INTS 3090S  
Summer Term A (TBD)  
Credit hours: 6 Semester Credit Hours  

Study Abroad General Information & Program Application

**Directions:** Please read carefully and complete all sections of the application form. Sign the form and submit the form with a copy of your unofficial transcript to Dr. Marian Tabi, Georgia Southern University School of Nursing, RM 3030, Box 8158, Statesboro, Georgia 30460. Email: mtabi@georgiasouthern.edu. Voice mail: (912) 478-5998.

- Pay the $250 non-refundable deposit [online](#).
- Paid deposit will be refunded if application is not accepted.
- Paid program fees will not be refunded 60 days (April 13) prior to program start date in Costa Rica.

**Program Description:**
Wouldn’t you rather take one of your nursing courses or an elective while having the adventure of a lifetime in one of the world’s most beautiful and fascinating countries? This study abroad program integrates theory on health and culture with service learning to provide students a deeper and more meaningful study abroad experience using Costa Rica as the model country. Students apply theoretical concepts through cultural immersion in selected service-learning settings in underserved communities and vulnerable populations. Students examine their lived experience and understanding of health and culture through lectures, interaction with community leaders, host families, sites visits, and hands-on practice in community settings. Excursions, organized activities and visits to cultural and historical sites are part of the course. This undergraduate study abroad program is open to pre-nursing, nursing, and all other majors.

**Transient Students:**
Students from universities or colleges in the University System of Georgia may enroll in the program. These students must apply to Georgia Southern University as transient students to receive credit at their home institutions. Application to the Program and admission to Georgia Southern University are two separate process and students must plan accordingly to begin the process early. Online application is available on the Georgia Southern University office of Admissions website and phone contact is (912) 478-1372.

**Travel Documents**
All participants will need a valid passport to enter Costa Rica. An up-to-date medical and immunization records are highly recommended. No special vaccinations are required for travel.

**Total Program Fees: $2,980**

**Includes:**
- 2 weeks stay in Costa Rica
- In-country transportation to field and course related activities
- Accommodation and Meals (breakfast and dinner)
- Excursions
- International Health Insurance (Required)
- Airfare from Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport

**Not Included**
- GSU Tuition and fees (6 credits)
- Souvenirs
- Spending cash money

**Financial Aid:**
Financial aid including HOPE Scholarship can be applied toward tuition and books. Other forms of aid including grants, loans, academic, and other eligible scholarships are applicable to program fees.

**Application Deadline:** March 31, 2016
- Signed copy of this application and submit to Dr. Tabi
- $250 deposit with application
- 1st payment $1365 due October 31, 2015
- Final payment of $1365 due March 31, 2016
- Payment for full program fee is due on or before March 31, 2016
- All deposits and program payments should be made [online](#)
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I. Personal Information:
Name: Last ___________________________  First ___________________________  Middle ______________________
Eagle ID Number__________________     Age___________       Birth date_________ Gender: Male ____  Female______
Phone Number: Cell (_______) ___________________       Home (_______) ___________
Email: _________________________________________________
Present Mailing Address
_____________________________________________________________________________________________
Permanent Mailing Address (if different from above)
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II. Passport Information:
- I have a current passport Expires __________/_________/__________
- I am applying for a passport Date of Application ___________/_________/__________
Overseas Travel Experience:   Yes (If yes, list below countries you have traveled to)   No _______
1. ______________________________  2.  _______________________________________
3. ______________________________  4.  _______________________________________

III. Academic Information:
Current class standing (check one):     ___Freshman       ___Sophomore       ___Junior __Senior
Major________________________
Currently enrolled at Georgia Southern University:   Yes _____ No _____
Institution to which grades are to be sent (non-Georgia Southern University students only) _

IV: Agreement:
I understand that the non-refundable deposit of $250 is due with the application. The remainder of the fees ($2730) will be due on or before March 31, 2016. Purchased airline tickets and program-related activities that payments have been made will be non-refundable and non-transferable. Georgia Southern has the right to cancel the program due to low enrollment or unforeseen events. Paid monies including deposit will be returned in the event of program cancellation. All costs are subject to change because of unanticipated increases in airfares or other program costs including fluctuations in monetary exchange rates. Georgia Southern University will make every effort to keep program costs as advertised and will inform prospective program participants of any changes as they occur. Tuition and personal expenses are not included in the program fee.

Applicant Signature___________________________________  Date:  _________________________

For Program Director Use Only:
_____ Deposit ($250)        _____ First Payment of $1365        ______Remaining balance of $1365 due
_____Total Program Fees ($2980 including deposit)