

GHANA

A GVSU FACULTY-LED PROGRAM



Ghana: Literature of the Slave Trade

Open to: All majors

TELL ME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Cape Coast, Ghana — This exciting program to Cape Coast, Ghana is an excellent opportunity for future teachers and students interested in the trans-Atlantic slave trade. From the tomb of "Osagyefo" Kwame Nkrumah to the art markets at the city center, students will find themselves surrounded by diverse culture as Ghana is divided into some 75 ethnic groups.

This program offers an in-depth look at the historical context for African American literature of slavery and freedom. Students will be based at the University of Cape Coast, experience traditional Ghanaian music and participate in excursions to Assin Manso, Cape Coast Castle and Fort William.

In addition to taking courses, this program has a service-learning component. Students will spend a minimum of 12-16 hours total in schools or literacy NGOs, sharing children's literature of the African diaspora and learning how literature is used in Ghanaian classrooms.

[Ghana Literature Flickr](#)

[Cultural Information](#)

WHEN CAN I GO?

June 13 - July 13, 2018
(4 weeks)

WHERE WILL I LIVE?

Program participants will stay in housing provided at the University of Cape Coast and in hotels during their stay in Accra.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

This program is open to all majors. A minimum 2.0 GPA is required. We are happy to extend this opportunity to [non-GVSU students](#).

HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for this program, log on to www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad to begin your online application.

APPLICATION DEADLINE (2018 Program): February 1, 2018

Non-GVSU Students are welcome to apply. Please view [Non-GVSU Student Information](#).

WHAT CREDITS WILL I RECEIVE?

Students will register for a total of 6 credits:

ENG 231: Early African-American Literature (3 credits) - Fulfills Foundations: Philosophy and Literature

ENG 334: Multicultural Children's Literature (3 credits)

Courses count toward English major requirements, AAA Studies minor requirements, CSAT capstone requirement

HOW MUCH DOES THE PROGRAM COST?

The approximate fee for this program is Program Fee: \$4,390.

Includes

- Round-trip airfare
- Accommodation
- All meals
- Field trips and entrance fees
- All ground transportation

Other Expenses

- GVSU Tuition (6 Credits) (\$3,150)
- Vaccinations (\$300)
- Personal expenses (\$250)
- Passport fees (\$140)
- ISIC card - optional (\$28)

Total Estimated Cost: Total Projected Cost (Program Fee + (Other Expenses)) = \$8,258

FINANCIAL AID

To contact the Financial Aid office, email finaid@gvsu.edu with "Study Abroad" in the Subject line. Include your **G Number** and **Total Projected Cost** of the program in the e-mail.

Non-GVSU Students: Non-GVSU students admitted for study abroad are not eligible for Financial Aid from GVSU. Check with your home school's study abroad and financial aid offices for details on applying for financial aid from your home school toward study abroad program costs.

[Financial Aid FAQs](#)

GRANTS

FACULTY-LED PROGRAM GRANT (Up to \$1,500): All degree-seeking students who apply to their faculty-led program by the priority deadline are automatically considered for a grant of up to \$1,500 from the Padnos International Center. Students must have a current FAFSA on file to be eligible. No application required.

James F. and Virginia L. Goode Global Programs Scholarship: The purpose of the scholarship is to reduce the financial pressure on students and their families and make a Grand Valley education accessible to students from all backgrounds. This need-based scholarship will ensure that financial need does not become a barrier to intellectual and personal growth for students planning to study abroad.

MyScholarships: <https://gvsu.academicworks.com/opportunities/10186>

Visit www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad/scholarships for additional information on grants and scholarships.

WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

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