

EL SALVADOR

Hoversten Peace Seminar 2012

Healing from war: 20 years after the peace accords
June 1-9, 2012 ▪ non- credit ▪ Augsburg Experience

About the Seminar

This Travel Seminar will allow participants understand the connections between the long process of achieving peace in El Salvador... still a struggle 20 years after the end of the 12-year conflict.

Participants will look at post-war issues ranging from politics and religion to the economy and crime, including the push and pull for immigrants to come to the United States and the effects this has on the US economy and on Salvadoran families.

Participants will learn from diverse communities that are organizing for peace-related issues like positive social change around race, ethnicity, socio-economic class, gender, sexuality, economics, and the environment.

This travel seminar will join together Augsburg students, faculty and staff, this program and aims to develop a strong learning community among participants, with our Center for Global Education staff in El Salvador and with the people from whom we learn in El Salvador.

The style of this travel seminar is experiential with guided sessions for analysis and reflection. By participating in pre-departure orientation and re-entry sessions upon return, participants will decide how to share their experiences with the Augsburg College community when they return.

Program Overview

The following are some examples of possible program content:

- ◆Talk with diverse groups of people who fought on both sides of the conflict
- ◆Go to important martyrdom sites and learn what peace initiatives the martyrs' legacies have grown into
- ◆Speak with Salvadoran government officials
- ◆Visit the US Embassy
- ◆Experience a Salvadoran Mass
- ◆Spend time at the Central American University
- ◆Visit a women's cooperative and talk with them about post-war globalization and immigration
- ◆Go to a factory and talk with the managers and workers about the economics of business
- ◆Visit a small town in which most of the population has relatives living abroad
- ◆Shop in local markets and talk with Artisans about fair trade

Accommodations

Participants will be housed two to four to a room in a modest, comfortable guesthouse. Bathrooms will be shared.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to apply to participate in this seminar, students must be coming back to campus the following year (not graduating), and have a 2.5 GPA or higher.

All staff and full-time faculty are

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“This trip has been a life-altering experience. The range and depth of the activities created an opportunity to step back and consider my worldview in a very challenging way.”

— HOVERSTEN TRAVEL SEMINAR PARTICIPANT 2008

eligible. Adjunct faculty interested in applying must be teaching at least 3/6 this year and next, and illustrate their involvement on campus beyond the classroom.

If selected to participate, the College will grant paid work time to Staff during the program, given supervisors' approval. Prior to applying, staff must obtain their supervisor's written permission to be away from work, either using work time or vacation time, and time away must be reported on the timesheet or absence report accordingly. Participants may be asked to make a presentation(s) to share with the Augsburg community about their key learnings from the experience.

We cannot accommodate friends or family; the program is designed for Augsburg students and employees.

Selection Criteria

There are a limited number of spaces on this seminar (10), so preference will be given to applicants who don't have international experience and/or experience in a developing country, to those who have not participated in a past Hoversten Seminar, and to students who still need to complete their Augsburg Experience requirement.

Cost

The total cost of this travel seminar for participants will be \$790 each for students and \$990 each for faculty and staff. This price includes all lodging, meals, ground transportation, program expenses, and international airfare from Minneapolis to San Salvador. This does not include passport and visa application fees or entry and exit taxes. This highly discounted cost per person is made possible through generous support from the Hoversten Peace Endowment.

Application & Selection Process

Applications can be found at the CTL website: www.augsburg.edu/ctl/. Completed applications should be turned into the

Office of International Programs in Murphy Place 200 by February 1, 2012. A committee of faculty and staff from CTL and OIP will select participants by February 15. Once participants are selected, they must make a non-refundable \$250 deposit through CGE's online registration site by March 8. Final payment is due April 10.

Tax deductibility

If the purpose of attending this seminar is to help you maintain or improve skills relating to employment or business, expenses relating to the seminar may be tax-deductible according to IRC Reg. 1.162-5. Please consult your tax adviser.

Mission

The Center for Global Education at Augsburg College provides cross-cultural educational opportunities in order to foster critical analysis of local and global conditions so that personal and systemic change takes place leading to a more just and sustainable world.

Background

Founded in 1982, the Center is nationally recognized for its work in experiential, intercultural, and educational travel opportunities. More than 10,000 seminars, which are well-known and respected for exposing travelers to a variety of points of view, especially the perspectives of those working for justice and human dignity. The Center also has also served over 2,000 students from more than 300 colleges and universities through our undergraduate summer, semester, and internship programs in Mexico, Central America and Southern Africa.

For Questions and More Information

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