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Study Abroad in Cape Town, South Africa!

Join a semester-long program in Cape Town, South Africa jointly sponsored by Howard University and IES Abroad for the price of a semester at Howard



Join Us Spring 2013 REGISTER NOW!

STEP 1: Monday, September 10, 4 pm - Meet IES Abroad Representative Gretchen Cook-Anderson, in Carnegie Bldg., 2nd Floor

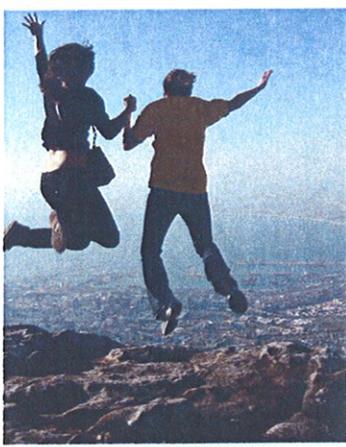
STEP 2: Monday, October 1, 5:00 pm EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION & FEE
Application website: http://www.provost.howard.edu/docs/CapeStudy_2013.pdf

STEP 3: Monday, October 8, 4 pm - Meet IES Abroad Cape Town Director Naomi Claassen, in Carnegie Bldg., 2nd Floor

Questions? Contact Dr. Jeanne Toungara, Assistant Provost for International Programs, Office of the Provost at jtoungara@howard.edu

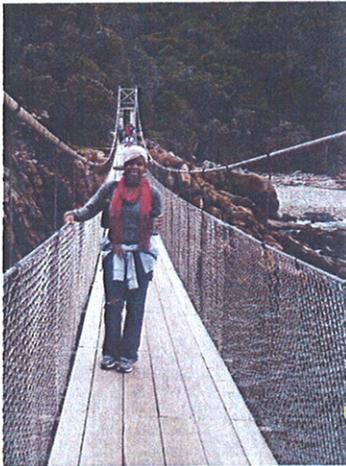
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Overview

Explore the cultural and social landscape of the Republic of South Africa through a semester of study abroad at the University of the Western Cape (UWC), a major research university with a highly diverse student body! Founded in 1960, under the separate University bill of 1957, UWC became a center of the student struggle against apartheid. After the end of apartheid, many UWC alumni and academics played an active role in the South African government. Today, UWC is heralded as the leading university in South Africa in its long-held commitment to inclusion in educating South Africa's non-white population. In the words of Nelson Mandela, UWC has changed "from an apartheid ethnic institution to a proud national asset." The University has a strong tradition of outreach to the surrounding communities, in particular the townships that are still home to tens of thousands of people of color in the Cape Town area. It is an excellent place to study the social and economic transformation of the country. The Howard University Cape Town program is organized by IES Abroad, a leading national not-for-profit consortium with more than 60 years of experience educating students abroad.



University of Western Cape

The University of the Western Cape is located in the attractive northern suburb of Bellville, and its scenic campus, which includes a nature reserve, blends into the natural scenery and provides beautiful views of the surrounding mountains of the Cape Peninsula and Stellenbosch. Bellville is 12 miles from the Center of Cape Town and is known for its active music scene. Challenging courses are available at UWC that cover the entire range of the undergraduate curriculum including the natural and social sciences, the humanities, economics, business, psychology, social work, exercise science, and education. Students can also take advantage of the University's many social clubs and volunteer organizations.



Internship

Students must participate in internships in the community, in local businesses, or in the South African Parliament. All internship placements provide cultural experience and development of professional and personal skills. IES Abroad offers an internship seminar that helps students link their internship to their academic interests.

Housing

Students will live on campus in single or double rooms in residences housing South African and international students.

Field Trips

Students participate in a field trip on the Garden Route, a stretch of coastline that runs for nearly 200 kilometers along the south-eastern coast of South Africa. The Garden Route runs between the Outeniqua and Tsitsikamma mountains, and along the Indian Ocean. Past site visits include the Cango Caves, the Devil's Chimney, a guided canoe trip on the scenic Touw River, a boat trip across the Storm's River Gorge, and an ostrich farm tour. Transportation, accommodations, and all meals are included.

For an additional fee, students may participate in an optional field trip to Kruger National Park, a huge game reserve that is home to 517 species of birds and more species of mammals than any other African game park, and to Soweto, the largest African township in South Africa. This field trip, organized by IES Abroad, will include round-trip transportation and accommodations for 6 nights. Students will share rooms. Past visits have included the Sudwala Caves, the oldest known caves in the world; an overnight camp in Kruger National Park including game drives; bicycle tours of local townships in Soweto; and a visit to the Cradle of Humankind, a World Heritage Site.

Students also have the opportunity to participate in a weekend township homestay and a weekend rural service project.

Director



The IES Abroad Cape Town Director, Naomi Claassen, comes to IES Abroad from the University of Cape Town (UCT) where she served as coordinator of study abroad students for nine years and as a recruiter for the University for six years. Naomi earned her diploma in Education at the Western Cape College of Education and has completed an Associate in Management at UCT's Graduate School of Business.

STUDY ABROAD IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA
HOWARD UNIVERSITY PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE

Howard University is pleased to invite you to apply to its study abroad program in South Africa at the University of the Western Cape in Cape Town, South Africa. The program was established in partnership with the **Institute for the International Education of Students** (IES Abroad), a registered study abroad provider with Howard University, to facilitate the high demand for international studies and experiential learning abroad. Howard University students may apply their federal and institutional financial aid to IES Abroad for comparable Howard University courses taken at the University of the Western Cape. Through this partnership, Howard students will enjoy the semester abroad for approximately the same cost-of-attendance as a semester at Howard. The semester programs in South Africa take place from mid-July thru November (fall semester) and from mid-January thru June (spring semester).

UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE

The selection of the University of the Western Cape as a location to extend Howard University's international footprint derives from their shared histories of struggle against racial discrimination and their common goals for the education of the disadvantaged. "The University of the Western Cape has a history of creative struggle against oppression, discrimination and disadvantage. Among academic institutions it has been in the vanguard of South Africa's historic change, playing a distinctive academic role in helping to build an equitable and dynamic nation. UWC's key concerns with access, equity and quality in higher education arise from extensive practical engagement in helping the historically marginalized participate fully in the life of the nation." www.uwc.ac.za/ Cape Town is an ideal location from which to experience the history and cultural diversity of South Africa, as well as explore its rich fauna, breathtaking coastlines, and game reserves.

REQUIREMENTS

The requirements and the application process for this program may differ somewhat from those currently offered by the Ralph Bunche International Affairs Center. Once accepted to the program, the students' files will be followed by Bunche Center personnel and students will benefit from the same services as students enrolled in other approved study abroad programs.

Eligibility

- One year of residency completed in good standing at Howard University prior to departure. Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors may apply.
- Minimum 2.8 GPA at time of application.
- Evidence of academic advising showing that a student is advancing his or her academic program and that participation in IES Abroad will not delay the student's expected time to completion.

Stipulations

- All approved courses must be taken "for credit." Audit and pass/fail courses will not transfer. The service learning course is required: AFST 183 – INTERNSHIP IN AFRICAN STUDIES (3 cr.)
- All overseas study must be completed at least one semester prior to the expected graduation date to allow ample time for overseas grades to enter student enrollment records.
- Grades for ALL courses will be calculated and recorded by Enrollment Management and entered into the Howard University transcript.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES and CHECKLIST

____ **Cover Page:** Name of Program, your name, ID number, campus address, telephone number, email address, permanent address, contact information for parents (name, address, telephone, email), major and minor academic fields, contact information for academic advisor (name, title, telephone, email address). Incomplete applications will be rejected.

____ **Application fee \$500:** Check or money order payable to "Howard University"

____ **500-word essay:** Explain why you want to study abroad in South Africa: What are your expectations and what outcomes do you anticipate, personally and/or academically, as result of study and experiential learning abroad? Show that you have some knowledge of current events, peoples & cultures of the Republic of South Africa.

____ **Selected Courses:** Prepare a list of 7 to 10 courses for enrollment at the University of the Western Cape and explain in 100 words or less how the selected courses will advance your program of study. Explain credits applied toward General Education and major or minor fields. Courses requiring accreditation should not be taken at UWC. Indicate your expected graduation date. (NB: You will actually enroll in 4 or 5 of the approved courses.) Go to the UWC website, www.uwc.ac.za and click on "Information for Prospective Students." Explore the "I Need to Know" section and then select your courses accordingly ("What can I study at UWC?"). Present downloaded course modules (syllabi) from the Yearbooks to department chairs of equivalent courses at Howard to request approval. You may also select courses from the preapproved list of courses available at the end of the application instructions.

____ **Course Approval Form:** Meet with your academic advisor before completing and printing the online form on the Bunche Center website: <http://www.howard.edu/rjb/studyabroad/Application.htm> (Download or duplicate as many as you need). Type course selections before printing. All courses must be preapproved by the appropriate department. **Department Chair or Academic Advisor must approve the course selections and sign at the bottom of the form.** This form will be used to facilitate the transfer credits to your Howard University transcripts upon receipt of grades from IES Abroad. UWC Course Number has 3 LETTERS AND 3 NUMBERS and will vary from 10 to 15 credits. The Howard Course Number is the CRN. The Howard Subject Code is the DEPT 000 (e.g., BIOL 123). **The following service learning course is REQUIRED for this program and should appear first: HOWARD-- CRN 10027, AFST 183, Internship in African Studies, 3 cr.; equivalent UWC SO335, Social & Economic Development in South Africa, 10 cr.**

____ **Resume or curriculum vitae**

____ **Unofficial transcript** (download from BisonWeb)

____ **Passport-size photo** (one original—no copies)

____ **CONFIDENTIAL letter** (one original—no copies) of recommendation from a faculty member that addresses your writing and verbal presentation skills, maturity, preparation for study abroad and your capacity to grow, intellectually and personally, from the experience. The envelope must be signed across the sealed flap.

____ **Howard University Event Participation Release Agreement** – signed (one original—no copies)

Submit 2 complete copies to the Office of the Provost, Attn: Dr. J.M. Toungara, A-Bldg. Suite 306
(The fee will be refunded to applicants not accepted.)

IMPORTANT DATES:

January 1 – 31:

Financial Aid Office must receive FAFSA forms for students intending to use federal or institutional financial aid for study abroad; March 1: Supplementary financial materials to Financial Aid Office (Parents' 1099, W2, or other documents may be requested by the Financial Aid Office). Make an appointment to verify your standing. Attn: Ms. Precious Smith

February 1 (Fall semester abroad) or **October 1** (Spring semester abroad)
Deadline to submit application package (2 copies) and \$500 fee check payable to Howard University. Acceptance will be announced within one week after the deadline. All holds on academic records must be resolved.

February 28 (Fall semester abroad) or **October 30** (Spring semester abroad)
Proof of passport (<http://travel.state.gov>)
US Post Office locations accepting applications: www.usps.com/shop/apply-for-a-passport.htm
Immunizations (www.cdc.gov)
Airline itinerary—confirmed
LAST DATE TO WITHDRAW WITHOUT PENALTY

March 15 (Fall semester abroad) or **November 15** (Spring semester abroad)
Clearance Checklist -- Students will be given this form upon acceptance. All students must be in good standing with the University prior to departure and will acquire signatures from the following offices: 1) Student Financial Aid (no outstanding balances); 2) Enrollment Management Records (no incomplete courses—"I" grades); 3) Pre-enrolment in Howard University South Africa Study Abroad—12 credits (up to 18 credits may be taken with no additional tuition charge); 4) Residence Life (housing cancelation forms on file); 5) Auxiliary Services (meal plans canceled).

TRAVEL

Students will make their own travel arrangements, but are required to arrive by the date established by IES Abroad in order to attend the orientation and security briefing before UWC courses begin. Students accepted for the spring semester program (UWC—SEMESTER #1) must plan to arrive in Cape Town, South Africa by mid-**January** and depart towards the end of **June**; for the fall semester program (UWC--SEMESTER #2) plan to arrive by mid-**July** and depart towards the end of **November**. **VERIFY OFFICIAL DATES BEFORE PURCHASE. The airline itinerary is required for the study permit, so accepted students should not delay.** Compare rates offered online as well as rates at agencies, such as the following:

- PREMIER TRAVEL SERVICES, www.premiertours.com, 1-800-545-1910
Contact: Carmella carmellam@premiertours.com South African Airways tickets
- SUPER EAGLE TRAVEL, Inc. www.supereagletravel.com 1-410-744-1222 / 703-854-1850
Contact: "AJ" supereagletravel@gmail.com; setravel@hotmail.com British Airways tickets

FINANCIAL AID

After acceptance and upon approval of financial aid awards for the academic year, Howard University will pay HU-UWC program costs directly to IES Abroad (tuition and lodging). **Applicants are advised that financial aid will be released on the regular reimbursement schedule at the beginning of the fall or spring semester at Howard University.** Therefore, students must prepare to pay initial costs out-of-pocket from acceptance to the program until reimbursements are available, including application fee, airfare, study permit (visa), cell phone, books, food, incidentals and in-country transportation (approx. \$3000 to \$3500) until financial aid reimbursements are released. IES Abroad scholarships are not available for this program.

COST OF ATTENDANCE

<u>Academic Year</u>	<u>HOWARD</u>	<u>UWC/IES maximum costs*</u>	
	<u>2012-13/SEMESTER</u>	<u>2013 SPRING SEMESTER</u>	
Semester Tuition	\$10,724	\$10,510	
Mandatory fees- HU	717	xxxxxxx	
Books/Supplies	1,404	245	
Meals	1977	2,400	
Loan fees - Feds	431	431	
Incidentals - personal expenses	681	1,450	
Room	5,976	2,790	
Local Transportation	1,123	800	
		2500	Airfare
		150	Cell phone--required
		90	Study Permit for visa
		95	Health Insurance
		500	HU Application Fee
		xxxxxxx	
Howard Semester Totals	\$23,003	\$21,961	TOTAL (IES - All inclusive)
		435	IES optional travel

*Costs highlighted are paid directly by Howard University to IES Abroad and will appear on the Student Financial Statement as IES South Africa Study Abroad.

CAMPUS CONTACT

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 Howard University, Carnegie Building, Suite 100; Tel: (202) 806-7283
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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
EVENT PARTICIPATION RELEASE AGREEMENT
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This agreement pertains to the proposed participation by the undersigned _____ in a Howard University event, known as the HOWARD UNIVERSITY STUDY ABROAD IN SOUTH AFRICA (the "Event"), scheduled for SPRING 2013 at the UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA. In consideration for being allowed to participate, participant and participant's parent or legal guardian, if participant is a minor or otherwise without capacity (hereafter, "Participant"), hereby agrees to and accept all of the provisions herein.

1. **General Release:** Participant understands and acknowledges that participation in the Event is entirely voluntary and that any activity, such as the Event involves some element of risk, including the travel to and from the Event. Participant shall not attempt to hold Howard University, its trustees, officers, employees, faculty members, or agents or any other person or entity involved with conducting the Event financially responsible or otherwise liable for any personal injury or death, or for the loss of or damage to any personal property arising out of, during, or in connection with the Event or Participant's participation therein, including but not limited to any injuries or death resulting from the rendering of emergency medical procedures or treatment, if any, pursuant to paragraph 4 below. It is my express intent that this Covenant Not to Sue and Agreement to Hold Harmless shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia.

2. **Event Changes, Cancellation or Termination:** Participant understands and acknowledges that the University reserves the right to make cancellations, changes, or substitutions as it may deem necessary. Should the University cancel the Event for any reason, at its sole discretion, full refunds of Event fees (if any) will be made to those having paid such fees in accordance with current published University policies.

3. **Insurance Coverage:** The undersigned acknowledges that the University requires that all Participants be covered by appropriate accident and health insurance and that Participants be financially responsible for any and all such expenses. By signing this form Participant represents and warrants that Participant is in compliance with this insurance requirement. Participant further acknowledges that the University recommends that Participants insure any personal property that will be brought, stored, or used on any property of the University.

4. **Medical Treatment:** Participant acknowledges that while Participant is participating in the Event, an emergency may develop that necessitates medical care, hospitalization, or surgery. The University assumes no responsibility for providing or arranging for such medical treatment. However, should the University undertake to provide or arrange for such treatment it will, to the extent it deems practicable, attempt to contact the person designated below, prior authorizing or arranging for such treatment. What is practicable may vary depending upon the nature of the emergency. Therefore, the undersigned authorizes the University, through any of its employees or agents, to secure any necessary emergency medical treatment on behalf of and at the expense of the Participant, including the administration of anesthesia and surgery. The undersigned acknowledges that such treatment shall be solely at Participant's expense and the undersigned agrees to reimburse the University for any expenses which it may incur on account of Participant's injury or treatment.

5. Overseas Medical Treatment: Participant is on notice that not all health insurance plans cover treatment and procedures outside of the United States of America. In the event that the Event includes foreign travel and Participant's health insurance plan does not cover treatment outside of the USA, Participant should forego the Event. In any event, all liability for any decision to participate in the Event without an adequate health insurance plan rests with Participant.

6. Voluntary or Involuntary Withdrawal or Dismissal: The undersigned acknowledges that all Participants are subject to University regulations, Event guidelines, and laws of the local jurisdiction. In the event of a violation of these or behavior deemed by the University to be detrimental to the interests of the University, other Participants, or the Event, the University, though its agents conducting the Event, shall have the right at its sole discretion to dismiss Participant from the Event. Such decision to dismiss shall be final.

Participant agrees to pay for all costs arising out of Participant's voluntary or involuntary withdrawal from the Event prior to its completion for whatever reason, including withdrawal caused by illness or disciplinary action, as set forth above. Participant shall not assert claims for or hold the University, its trustees, employees, officers, faculty, or agents or others involved in conducting the Event responsible for any costs or losses resulting from said Participant's participation or withdrawal.

7. Pledge: Participant hereby agrees to comply fully with the rules of the University and directions by its administrators or agents. Participant further agrees that the University has the right to enforce its standards of conduct and that should Participant fail to comply with them, the University has the right to terminate the Participation in the Event with no refund of money paid, if any. Participant further agrees that the policies of the University may be applied to Participant and that the University shall have the right to exercise the policies of the University.

I, THE PARTICIPANT, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE PROVISIONS AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THEM AS INDICATED BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant's Name _____
(Please Print)

Participant's Address _____
(City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone Number _____

Participant's Signature _____ Date: _____
(Parent or Guardian's Signature, if applicable)

Participant contact in case of emergency:

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number (Day): _____ (Evening): _____

FAX _____ Email: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RECEIVED WITH APPLICATION