

OFF-CAMPUS LEARNING

ECUADOR: ECODESIGN – SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAM



AT A GLANCE

TYPE

Semester based course with short-term, faculty-led off-campus program

PROGRAM

Spring Semester 2017

TRAVEL DATES

March 17 – 26, 2017

ACADEMIC CREDIT

3 credits in CORE3800 EcoDesign – Sustainable Solutions

ELIGIBILITY

All majors; sophomore, junior, and senior students. Prereq: none

Students must be enrolled in the Spring 2017 CORE 3800 course to receive academic credit and participate in this off-campus program

COST

Estimated \$3,480 program fee*

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Sept. 27, 2016

Applications are available on the MyCCAD Off-Campus Learning page

ACCOMODATIONS

Double- and triple-occupancy, same-gender rooms

CCAD FACULTY

Suzanne Cotton

QUESTIONS?

offcampus@ccad.edu or 614.437.7500

* fee could decrease based on total enrollment number



PROGRAM SUMMARY

Students will be enrolled in CORE3800 at CCAD during Spring Semester 2017. The off-campus portion of this program will travel to Ecuador, South America, to sites in and near the cities of Quito and Otavalo. The off-campus experience spans a ten-day, nine-night period over spring break 2017.

Many people in the design industry are beginning to question what the social ramifications are when making design decisions. In this class students will research a variety of areas of sustainable design such as fair trade, zero waste, and recycling with waste materials and use this research to create a variety of design projects that are not only good for the earth but also beautiful and salable. During spring break, the students will take a trip to Quito and Otavalo, Ecuador to research crafts done by the indigenous people in that area and work in a fair trade factory to learn techniques in batik and fabric dyeing. Upon return the students will use their research to create their own fair trade brand. A variety of guest lecturers will be brought in during the semester to discuss how they are using sustainable practices in their businesses.

The off-campus portion in Ecuador offers a unique “hands-on” opportunity for students to hand print fabric to be used in a final garment. Students will also get the opportunity to see, first hand, the entire process of manufacturing, from the raw fiber to the final product. This includes yarn-spinning, weaving, dyeing and printing, in both native traditional settings.

LOCATION

Ecuador: Otavalo is a town in Northern Ecuador. It has about 50,000 inhabitants and is the capital of the district of the same name. Otavalo is world-famous for its indigenous population, the Otavaleños, many of which are famous for their handicrafts.

PROGRAM COSTS

Students participating in the program will be responsible for a program fee of \$3,480*.

The program fee includes:

- Round-trip airfare between Columbus and Ecuador (group flights)
- In-country travel for program activities, tours, factory visits, and entrance fees
- Meals on all full days of the program
- Double-occupancy or triple-occupancy accommodations
- International health insurance with medical-evacuation and repatriation coverage
- Fabric and dyes for workshop and activities during the in-country portion of the program to be made into a garment

The program fee does not include:

- Tuition for the three course credits
- Pre-departure expenses (such as passports or vaccinations)
- Additional fabric to bring back to Columbus for additional class or personal projects
- Travel to and from the Columbus Airport
- Personal expenses

FEE PAYMENT

If accepted into the program, a \$280 non-refundable** deposit to reserve your spot in the program is due on October 24, 2016. The \$280 deposit is applied towards the program fee. The program fee and tuition for the three course credits will be billed with spring 2017 tuition. If a deposit is not made by October 24, the spot in the program will be offered to the next student on the waiting list.

If students withdraw or become ineligible at any time after paying the \$280 deposit, they will be held responsible and charged for any costs the college has incurred on their behalf to secure services associated with this program. Please refer to the withdrawal and refunds policy for more details.

ELIGIBILITY

All students will be required to participate in a pre-departure health and safety orientation organized through the Office of Off-Campus Learning. Failure to do so will result in a student's withdrawal from the program, at which point the student will be subject to the withdrawal and refunds policy described above.

International students who do not hold a United States passport are also required to meet with Jonathan Neeley, Assistant Director of Admissions and International Student Advisor (jneeley@ccad.edu) to discuss their responsibilities and maintenance of their immigration status. International students must be able to independently obtain any required visas to enter and exit Ecuador.

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**If there are unforeseen circumstances and CCAD has to cancel the off-campus portion of this program, your deposit of \$280 will be refunded minus any non-program related outstanding account balance owed to CCAD.