PROGRAM COSTS AND PLACES TO VISIT

The program cost for student is estimated around US $4550 (subject to change).

Places we visit...
Senegal: Dakar, Saint Louis, Thies, Ngor, Goree, Lac Rose, Sandia, Toubab Dialow, Toubacouta, Foundiougne, Touba, Keur Moussa, Mbour, Joal, Fatick.

All trips include air conditioned bus, housing, meals, entry fees, museums, and stuff.

STUDY ABROAD IN SENEGAL

The first Valdosta State University Study Abroad in Dakar, Senegal. Now in its ninth year, it offers an exciting opportunity for students to explore a unique and important part of West Africa and the Francophone world.

This Senegal Study Abroad program is sponsored by the Valdosta State University (VSU) Department of Modern and Classical Languages (MCL) and the Center for International Programs (CIP). It is a three-week-long tour, the scope of which embraces the French language study as well as West Africa culture, literature, and history.

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PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Program related activities include orientation, classroom activities, cultural activities and experiences, internships, weekend excursions, journaling, written projects, and de-briefing seminars. Field trips, excursions and cultural enrichment activities will include tour of Dakar and its cultural and touristic landmarks, a passage to Goree Island, a trip to Saint-Louis with a detour to Lake Rose (the pink lake)...

Participant students in nursing or any other student with interest in traditional medicine can take an all day visit to the Traditional Healers' Village in Fatick. Also, depending on transportation availability, interested participants may choose to visit African American writer Alex Haley's village, Jufuray, in the Gambia. There are also opportunities for short career related internships based on participants' interests. To mix fun and learning, some cultural activities will be organized to entertain students.

DAKAR, SENEGAL

Dakar, the capital, is a large, bustling, cosmopolitan city, located on the coast of Senegal, with a population of approximately 1.8 million. In many ways, Dakar is a hub between Europe, the United States, and the rest of the African continent. It is home to many embassies and consulates of the developed and developing world, several United Nations' offices and world organizations. Public transportation in the form of buses, taxis and cars rapides is easily accessible and inexpensive. The hustle and cosmopolitan flavor of Dakar are a sharp contrast to the rest of the country. A trip to the villages and towns within an hour's drive of the city offers a completely different Senegalese experience.

COURSES OFFERED

Courses offered during this study abroad program may be selected from the courses list. Students can earn up to 6-credit hour by taking any combination of the following 3 credit-hour courses:

- AFAM 3600 African Lit and Diaspora
- ANTH 3090 Cultural Anthropological Approaches to Africa
- ANTH 4900 Special Topics in Anthropology
- FREN 1001 or 1002 Beginning French
- FREN 2001 or 2002 Intermediate French
- FREN 3410 Francophone Literature
- HIST 3600 Special Topic on African History
- NURS 3050/5050 Transcultural Approaches to Care

Participants must register for the course(s) and pay tuition in addition to the program fee.