COMPARATIVE MUSLIM SOCIETIES

Summer A: May 6 - June 6, 2019

LOCATION
EXCURSIONS
Morocco: Rabat, Fes, Marrakech, and Casablanca
Senegal: Dakar, Gorée Island, Touba, St-Louis, Tivaouane
In Morocco: The medinas of Rabat, Sale, Fez and Marrakesh; tanneries and souks (markets), the medieval sites of Chella, the Hassan Tower, the Kasbah of the Oudayas, the Karaouine mosque and university, the Koutoubia mosque and gardens. In Senegal: Dakar, the capital, Gorée Island, Camberene, the holy cities of Touba and Tivaouane, the colonial city of Saint-Louis, African markets.

LEARN about the history of Islam in Morocco and Senegal and the way it informs contemporary religious practices
IMMERSE yourself in the multicultural societies of Morocco & Senegal
DISCOVER how popular culture (music, dance, sports, arts) is connected to Muslim cultural and religious identities
EXPLORE the religious connections between Morocco and Senegal through the Tijani Sufi order
EXPERIENCE everyday life in Muslim societies: cuisine, song, dance and fashion

PROGRAM

Although they share a religion and a number of universal practices, Muslim societies are also shaped by diverse local socio-cultural contexts and can thus differ from each other in illuminating ways. In this hands-on program you will have the opportunity to explore two contemporary Muslim countries: Morocco north of the Sahara desert, and Senegal to its south. The program of study is organized around a set of interdisciplinary themes, and draws from scholarship in anthropology, religious studies, linguistics, and popular culture. This broad perspective is designed to help you understand the Muslim world in a more nuanced way, and the activities and field visits you engage in during the course of the program will give you firsthand experience with cultural and religious practices that you can evaluate against what you learn in the classroom. You will come away from this program with a rich understanding of what these Muslim societies share and how they differ from each other.

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HOUSING

In Morocco you will stay in hotels and riads (comfortable, stylish houses), and in Senegal you will stay in hotels.

COURSE INFORMATION

AFS 4935: Islam in Africa (3 UFGPA Credits)
AFS 4935: African Popular Culture (3 UFGPA Credits)
Courses are taught by UF faculty
Total Number of Credits Offered: 6
APPLICATION INFORMATION

2019 Application Deadline: March 15, 2019
Apply online: www.internationalcenter.ufl.edu

ELIGIBILITY | REQUIREMENTS

– Open to all majors
– Students in good standing
– Minimum 3.0 GPA
– Letter of Recommendation

2019 PRICING

Undergraduate Program Fee: $5,281

A $375 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is due at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 45 days prior to departure. If you receive financial aid, you can defer payment until it disburses. Deferment decisions will be based on the amount of aid to be received.

WHAT’S INCLUDED

Tuition for 6 credits, accommodation, in-country transportation, site visit fees, 8 collective meals, international health insurance, and emergency medical assistance.

WHAT’S NOT INCLUDED

Round-trip airfare, meals, additional personal travel, and personal expenses.

FINANCIAL AID

Most financial aid that you would receive on campus during the summer can be applied toward the cost of this study abroad program; however, all financial aid eligibility is determined by Student Financial Affairs. You must speak with your financial aid advisor to determine what aid can be applied to the cost of this program, including scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIPS

UFIC offers summer scholarships for qualified students. This year’s summer scholarship deadline is February 8, 2019.

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