COLGATE UNIVERSITY OFF-CAMPUS STUDY

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES STUDY GROUP
FALL 2004
DIRECTOR: PROFESSOR KENNETH RAMCHAND

CAMPUS COORDINATOR: Brian L. Moore, Department of History.

LOCATION: Students will be registered and will attend classes at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad.

DURATION: This is a semester long program, running from about August 26 to December 20, 2004 and students will earn a four credits.

PURPOSE: This study group will give students an enriched experience of the Caribbean, through an opportunity to study the history, culture, literature, sociology, politics and economics of the region. The academic aspects of Caribbean Studies will be greatly enhanced by the experience and knowledge acquired through daily living in a dynamic Caribbean society and interacting with students from the Caribbean.

ELIGIBILITY: Students are required to have taken at least one course in Caribbean Studies, such as ALST 301 History of the Caribbean or CORE 163 The Caribbean, and be in good academic standing. There is no language requirement. Applicants’ motivation will be evaluated, and preference may be given to those who have taken more than one Caribbean course or are concentrators in Africana and Latin American Studies.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES: This study group is unusual in that it is open to students from all the disciplines and it emphasizes the interdisciplinary study of a particular region of the world that is complex and culturally diverse, while it is English-speaking and close to the United States. Students will be able to choose courses from a wide range in the Humanities and Social Sciences, many of which focus on the Caribbean, and the classroom experience will be enhanced by several field trips and by living and studying with Caribbean students in a prestigious multi-national university. The study group is located in Trinidad and Tobago, a multicultural society, and the students and faculty at the university come from all over the English-speaking Caribbean. Students will find this study group offers a unique educational experience through combining excellent courses with a rich cultural environment.

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS: All students will live in campus housing, sharing accommodation with UWI and other Colgate students. Students will have a choice of preparing some meals for themselves in the kitchens provided in the halls or eating at the campus cafeterias or in various facilities in the surrounding community. Most students choose a mix of these eating options. Housing is fully secured with 24-hour security service provided throughout the campus.

COURSES: There will be a standard four-course load, with some additional cultural activities and field trips. Students will be required to take two courses with the Study Group Director, and two UWI courses.
Professor Ramchand will teach two ALST/SOAN crosslisted courses; **Growing up in Literature: The Trinidad Experience** (required course), and **“Caribbean Festivals” (optional).** Colgate students registered as “exchange students” will have full access to the library facilities and academic support programs at the UWI. A wide range of courses will be available in the Creative Arts, Literature in English, History, Economics, Government, Sociology and Anthropology.

Courses offered at the UWI in Fall 2004 will be similar to these previously offered courses:

- The Third World in Global Development
- History of Africa
- Women and Gender in the History of The English Speaking Caribbean
- Caribbean Economy
- West Indian Literature
- Economics of Culture
- Visual Arts and Communications
- Intro. to Public Policy Analysis
- Contemporary Issues in Social Psychology
- Classical Social Theory
- The African Diaspora
- Theory and Practice of Educative Theater
- Indian Literature in English
- African Diaspora Women’s Narrative
- Intro. To West Indian Poetry
- Comparative Politics
- Caribbean Economic History
- Anthropology of the Peoples of the Caribbean
- Caribbean Social Structure
- History of the Caribbean

*COURSE CREDITS:* All four credits earned will count towards graduation, and grades for all the courses will be recorded on the students’ transcripts as Colgate grades. Appropriate courses will count towards concentrations in Africana and Latin American Studies, and credits for other concentrations should be negotiated directly by the student with the Chairs of those Departments.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** Students will be able to participate in all sporting, religious, and other cultural activities at the University of the West Indies, and a range of other activities is available off-campus. In addition, a variety of activities and field trips will be organized by the Director.

**STUDENT GROUP COSTS:** Equivalent to the regular Colgate costs, including charges for tuition and accommodation. The costs of travel on the required field trips in Trinidad are included. Students continue to be eligible for financial aid in this program.

**ADDITIONAL COSTS:** Will include air transportation to and from Trinidad, your books, toiletries and other personal materials, personal travel and entertainment, and your food.

**WHAT YOU NEED:** You will need a valid passport and a tourist card ($10).

**APPLICATION FORMS AND DEADLINES:** Application forms will be available from Africana and Latin American Studies in 327 Alumni Hall or the Off-Campus Study Office in 105 McGregory Hall.

The deadline for applications is December 5, 2003. Applications should be turned into Mary Keys, Secretary, 327 Alumni Hall.