



Brazil: Cultural Immersion

SALVADOR da BAHIA and
RIO de JANEIRO, BRAZIL

2018
JUNE 3 - JUNE 17



**30 MINIMUM
COMMUNITY
SERVICE HOURS**

**2 WEEKS OF
EXPERIENTIAL
LEARNING ABROAD**

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Academic Overview

“Brazil: Cultural Immersion” offers a multifaceted experience while offering 30 hours minimum of community service intertwined with two weeks of experiential learning. Students will be immersed in the culture of Brazil from an Afro-Brazilian perspective through the people, history, religion, music, arts, food and more. Program participants will work with local NGO's as they help various communities build a better life through community service projects. The experiential learning from all activities will provide a new global perspective through interacting with Brazilians of in their perspective communities, acquiring new historical knowledge and delving into the rich cultures of Salvador da Bahia, Rio de Janeiro and surrounding areas through guest lecturers, excursions and daily activities.

About The Cities

Salvador da Bahia, located on the Atlantic Coast in northeastern Brazil and the first colonial capitol of Brazil, has over three million inhabitants. Due to the extensive colonial history of slavery, Salvador has a strong African influence that spans religious and spiritual practices, cuisine, music, martial-arts traditions and ethnic dynamics which have influenced Salvador being called the cultural heartbeat of Brazil and the center of Afro-Brazilian culture. There is no other place in the world where descendants of African slaves have preserved their heritage as well as in Salvador. Today, Salvador is a booming city with its historic center, Pelourinho, designated a UNESCO world heritage site for its 17th and 18th century architecture and gold-laden churches. The city is the nexus of an incredible arts movement. Wild festivals happen frequently, with drum corps, like Olodum, pounding out powerful rhythms against the backdrop of colonial buildings almost daily. It is the site of the largest carnival in the world. And boast to have some of the most beautiful beaches in the world. Salvador da Bahia is a one of a kind destination with experiences of a lifetime.

Rio de Janeiro is the second largest city in Brazil, and the third largest metropolitan area in South America. Nicknamed the Cidade Maravilhosa or “Marvelous City” thanks to the dynamic urban vibe, expansive beaches, abutting rainforest, and sprawling favelas, it has a specific history unknown to many, a rich history steeped in African culture. The Portuguese imported African slaves by the hundreds of thousands which has culturally influenced many of the things the city is known for today. It is the most visited city in the southern hemisphere and known for its Carnival celebrations, samba, Bossa Nova and renowned beaches, Copacabana and Ipanema.

It also boasts iconic landmarks like the giant statue of Christ the Redeemer atop Corcovado Mountain, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, and Sugarloaf Mountain, a granite peak with cable cars to its summit to name a few. Rio de Janeiro, one of the most picturesque cities full of amazing history you will ever visit.

Program Overview

Brazil: Cultural Immersion takes place during the first summer term at JSU with two weeks of experiential learning abroad. A faculty member from Jackson State University will lead the program.

During the program, students will devote time to over 30 hours of community service with co-curricular and cultural site visits such as: tours, historical in nature, of several areas of the cities, Afro-Brazilian historical sites, trips to the iconic venues, visits to advertising / design agencies and a design schools / departments, cultural samba shows, favela visits, museums and other amazing activities.

Program Cost

- 30 Hours Minimum of Community Service
- 2 Weeks Abroad
- Accommodations
- All meals (in country)
- Transportation (in country)
- Excursions, admission fees, cultural experiences, etc.
- iNext Comprehensive Travel Insurance
- Airfare
- Passport/Visa

Undergraduate and Graduate:
\$3885.00*

** Price could change slightly as airfare fluctuates.*



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