

JSU Passport To The World

Learning Beyond Boundaries

Sankofa: Challenging Racial Mythologies Here and Abroad

ACCRA, GHANA

June 2- June 17

2019

**3 or 6 Credits Hours
12 Days Abroad**



Academic Overview

The Ghanaian word Sankofa means “to return and fetch that which you have forgotten in order to move forward.” One of the purposes of this course is to encourage students to investigate the history and current events of Ghana, Africa and Mississippi in order to better understand the deep-rooted history of African Americans. The instructor will use a multi-discipline approach, pulling from Political Science, Psychology and History. Hence, one of the components will focus on challenging the various negative stereotypes that have been manufactured about the continent of Africa and its descendants. Students will explore such concepts as self-hatred and racial identity. Prior to departing to Accra, Ghana, students will be lead on a tour of the newly constructed Mississippi Civil Rights museum. While in Ghana, students will visit one of the original Slave Dungeons where enslaved Africans were held prior to being sold into bondage, as well as places such as the burial site for W.E.B. DuBois.

About The City

Stretched along the Atlantic Ocean, Ghana's most populous city boasts glittering beaches, monumental buildings, museums, libraries, galleries, traditional markets and lively nightlife. Just three degrees north of the equator, students will find rainforests, wildlife parks, and pristine beaches ready for exploring. Accra's architecture reflects its colonial history, with 17th century castles standing alongside modern skyscrapers. A veritable melting pot of cultures, the city's central financial and shopping districts contrast sharply with the less affluent residential areas surrounding the urban core.

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Program Overview

Passport to the World takes place during the first summer term at JSU. Two weeks are spent on campus and two weeks abroad. Faculty members from Jackson State University will lead the program, including providing all instruction. After completing this course students will be able to: conduct ethical research, master basic critical thinking skills, analyze primary and secondary source materials, develop a scholarly research paper with a defensible argument, supported by evidence and accurate citations.

Program Cost

\$1338.33

- Accommodations
- Breakfast
- Transportation (in country)
- Excursions, admission fees, cultural experiences, etc.
- iNext Comprehensive Travel Insurance
- 24/7 Emergency Assistance

Tuition Cost

Undergraduate

3 Credit Hours: \$987.00

6 Credit Hours: \$1974.00

Graduate

3 Credit Hours: \$1314.00

6 Credit Hours: \$2628.00

** Financial aid can be applied to the tuition and program costs. Student is responsible for airfare, passport and food. Housing fees may apply.*