



AFRICAN CULTURE THROUGH THE ARTS

STUDY ABROAD IN GHANA - HO, VOLTA REGION, GHANA

JUNE 14 - JULY 6, 2010



MUSIC! DANCE! VISUAL ARTS! THEATER!

The School of Music, in conjunction with the College of Fine Arts and Office of Education Abroad of Ohio University, are delighted to offer a 3-week intensive, academic experience in African cultures through the visual and performing arts. Participants in this unique program will be introduced to various topics in African Traditional and Popular Culture, Philosophy, and Visual and Performing Arts, to enhance their understanding of indigenous and contemporary African artistic expressions.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Participation in Traditional Music and Dance Festivals
- Master Classes with the National Dance Company of Ghana
- Village Study Tours of the Central, Greater Accra and Volta Regions
- Visits to Kakum Rainforest, Universities of Ghana, Cape Coast, and Winneba, Kente Village, Kpetoe, Cape Coast and Elmina Castles, Ghana National Museum, Ghana Broadcasting Corporations, etc.
- Practical Lessons in Drumming, Dance & Singing
- Learn to make your own African Batik/ Adinkra, etc
- Spend weekends with Host families
- Learn an African Language: Ewe or Twi
- Instrumental repair workshops, and many many many more!!!

LECTURE TOPICS:

- Teaching African Music and Dance through The Alcate Technique: An intercultural Pedagogy
- African Games in Music Education
- Introduction to African Traditional and Contemporary Popular Culture
- The Historical, Social and Cultural Contexts of African Music, Dance, Theater and Visual Arts
- African Arts and Media: Radio, Films, Televisions, etc.
- Aesthetics and the Interrelationships of African Art Forms
- Traditional and Contemporary African Dance Forms
- Recontextualization of African Dance Forms: From the Village to the Stage
- Traditional and Contemporary African (Ghanaian) Music
- Symbolism in African Arts
- An Overview of Theater in Ghana
- Drama and Theater in Traditional Ceremonies
- Visual Arts in Traditional African Societies
- African Theater for Community Development, etc.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCESS:

- This program is open to all registered OU students. Professionals and students from other US can also apply. This is an international program for all interested in African Arts
- Good academic standing (2.75 GPA min.)
- Pass an interview with the Program Director

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- 8 January for OU and non-OU Applicants
- Online application at:
<http://www.ohio.edu/educationabroad/students/App.cfm>

PROGRAM COSTS:

- Program Fee includes room (double occupancy) and board (two meals a day), 2 meals/day, roundtrip airfare CMH-Accra, excursions, international health insurance, and classroom materials. Cost is subject to change
- Living Arrangements: Room (double occupancy) will be provided in Sam's Cottage and Freedom Hotels, Ghana
- Course and Credits: OU students will register for 11-16 graduate or undergraduate credits
- Visit website for more details

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