




AFRICAN CULTURE THROUGH THE ARTS

STUDY ABROAD IN GHANA – HO, VOLTA REGION, GHANA

JUNE 14-JULY 6, 2009



The School of Music, in conjunction with the College of Fine Arts and the Office of Education Abroad at 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, Kpetoe Kente Village, and Ghana Broadcasting Corporation
- 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
- Instrumental repair workshops, and many, many more!!!

LECTURE TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Teaching African Music and Dance through The Alcate Technique: An intercultural Pedagogy
- African Games in Education
- Traditional and Contemporary African Popular Culture
- The Historical, Social and Cultural Contexts of African Music, Dance, Theater and Visual Arts
- African Arts and Media: Radio, Films and Television
- Aesthetics and the Interrelationships of African Art Forms
- African Arts in Christian and Traditional Religions
- Traditional and Contemporary African Dance Forms
- Traditional African Dance Forms: From the Village to the Stage
- 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, etc.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCESS:

- This program is open to all registered OU students. Professionals and students from other US universities 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
- Students must be in good health

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

January 9, 2009 for OU and non-OU Applicants

Online Application at:

<http://www.ohio.edu/educationabroad/students/App.cfm>

PROGRAM COSTS:

- Billed by Ohio University
- Non-OU students should contact Catherine Marshall for costs. Financial Aid may be applied to program costs; further information available from the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships
- Program Fee includes room, 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
- Courses and Credits: OU Students will register for 11-16 graduate or undergraduate credits

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