
Piura, Peru International Program

July 12-21, 2024

(Cusco/Machu Picchu cultural immersion: July 20-25, 2024)

General Information:

An international program for students has been planned for Piura, Peru for course and/or clinical credit. Designation of course credit will be dependent upon the individual student's program of study.

Proposed educational activities include the following:

- Conduct community health assessments (survey, focus groups, interviews) and other public health activities to learn more about the community and assess health priorities and needs.
- Provide primary care in a medically underserved community. Patient care will include a focus on child wellness and developmental care, preventative screening measures, primary care services, and health promotion activities.
- Develop and provide health and wellness education on pre-determined health topics.
- Evaluate utilization and maintenance of a composting latrine built by volunteers in July 2022.
- Work interprofessionally across diverse fields including: healthcare (medical, nursing, health professionals, pharmacy), public health, community organizations (local governments, schools, etc.), and local higher-education institutions. Students across disciplines and institutions will work with each other and also with local Peruvian students for an enriching, meaningful experience.

This program will include a required clinical immersion & community engagement component scheduled for July 12-21, 2024. In addition, an optional cultural immersion component has been scheduled for July 20–25, 2024 to the Cusco region of Peru.

Applicants will be notified of acceptance by April 8, 2024. A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is due from selected participants by Friday, April 26, 2024. Deposits will be paid to Olive Branch Ministries – Peru. Payment in full must be made to Olive Branch Ministries – Peru no later than Friday, June 14, 2024.

Application:

The application for participation in the international program can be found at:

<https://student.ttuhs.edu/global-health/peru.aspx>

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible to participate in an International Program for Students, a person must be a student at the University. For the purposes of an International Program for Students, a student is defined as all persons taking courses at the University, either full-time or part-time, pursuing

undergraduate, graduate or professional studies, specifically excluding School of Medicine House Staff. Persons who are not officially enrolled for a particular term but who have a continuing relationship with the University or who have been notified of their acceptance may be considered students.

For the purposes of an International Program for Students, a person is considered to have a continuous relationship with the University if the person was enrolled at the University for the preceding semester and:

- Is registered or preregistered for the following semester; or
- If the person has not completed the person's degree program, is eligible to continue the degree program in the following semester; or
- If the person completed a degree program in the preceding semester and is admitted to another degree program at the University for the following semester.

In addition, persons must be in good academic and disciplinary standing as determined by the person's school at the time the person applies for an International Program and at the time of the dates of travel. Good disciplinary standing is defined as relating to a student not currently on disciplinary probation; or, a student, whose disciplinary suspension, expulsion or conditions and/or restrictions imposed, if any, have been totally fulfilled in a timely manner.

Per OP 10.29, International Programs for Students, International Programs are part of a degree program. As such, schools will determine course credit being awarded for an International Program in accordance with OP 60.05.

Withdrawal/Refunds:

TTUHSC is not liable for funds paid for travel to airlines or the host institution/organization or other fees of any kind or character related to the international program if a person is no longer eligible or can no longer participate in the international program. As such, the person is responsible for any and all financial losses that may be incurred.

More information will be provided to program participants about Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) Insurance.

Selection of Participants:

The TTUHSC faculty leaders will select approximately 15-20 students to participate. If necessary, a rubric will be utilized to determine participants from the applicant pool. Selected participants will be notified after eligibility has been determined (1-2 weeks after eligibility has been confirmed). A wait list will be in effect if needed.

Cost:

The estimated cost for the international program is \$1,250 (includes all lodging, breakfast, supplies, administrative costs, and transportation while in Peru). Not included in the cost are the following: domestic flight (Lima to Piura, approximately \$250-\$500), international airfare (approximately \$1200), meals, and spending money.

There is an additional fee of \$1,000 for those who wish to participate in the cultural immersion. This fee includes all lodging (shared room), breakfast, administrative costs, transportation, and tours. Not included in the cost are meals and spending money. A \$500 deposit for the cultural immersion component will be due on Friday, May 10.

Funding information can be found on the OGH website: <https://www.ttuhsu.edu/global-health/funding.aspx>.

Team Meetings:

There will be 7 mandatory pre-travel meetings that all students are required to attend. Each meeting will be scheduled via Zoom and is anticipated to last approximately one hour. In addition, faculty leaders may need to meet with students to discuss and finalize projects related to the program. An additional meeting will be scheduled for those who choose to participate in the cultural immersion.

Pre-departure Requirements:

All students selected to participate in the program are expected to complete TTUHSC International Program pre-departure requirements. Additional information about the pre-departure requirements can be found at the TTUHSC Office of Global Health website: <https://www.ttuhsu.edu/global-health/requirements.aspx>.

Program Specific Questions:

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General Questions about International Programs at TTUHSC:

Please contact the Office of Global Health at globalhealth@ttuhsc.edu.