NURS 4115S: Nursing & Service Learning in Costa Rica
Credit hours: 3 Semester Credit Hours
Summer Course: May 13 – June 28, 2019
Costa Rica Stay: June 10 – June 19, 2019

Directions: Please read carefully and complete all sections of the application form. Sign the form and submit the form with a copy of your unofficial transcript to Dr. Marian Tabi, Georgia Southern University School of Nursing, RM 3030, Box 8158, Statesboro, Georgia 30460. Email: mtabi@georgiasouthern.edu. Voice mail: (912) 478-5998.

- Space is limited. Pay the $250 deposit online to hold space at:
  - https://touchnet.georgiasouthern.edu/C20795_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=51&SINGLESTORE=true
- Enrollment in the program is based on interest to participate and academic standing of 2.5 GPA.
- Paid program fees will not be refunded after March 15, 2019. Written notification is required for refund prior to the due date. No refund after the due date. Non-refundable paid monies can be applied toward the following year’s program.

Program Description:
Wouldn’t you rather take one of your nursing courses or an elective while having the adventure of a lifetime in one of the world’s most beautiful and fascinating countries? This study abroad program integrates theory on health and culture with service learning to provide students a deeper and more meaningful study abroad experience using Costa Rica as the model country. Students apply theoretical concepts through cultural immersion in selected service learning settings in underserved communities and vulnerable populations. Students examine their lived experience and understanding of health and culture through lectures, interaction with community leaders, host families, sites visits, and hands on practice in community settings. Excursions, organized activities and visits to cultural and historical sites are part of the course. This undergraduate study abroad program is open to pre nursing, nursing, and all other majors.

Transient Students:
Students from universities or colleges in the University System of Georgia may enroll in the program. These students must apply to Georgia Southern University as transient students to receive credit at their home institutions. Application to the Program and admission to Georgia Southern University are two separate processes and students must plan accordingly to begin the process early. Online application is available on the Georgia Southern University office of Admissions website and phone contact is (912) 478-1372.

Travel Documents
All participants will need a valid passport to enter Costa Rica. An up-to-date medical and immunization records are highly recommended. No special vaccinations are required for travel.

Total Program Fees: $2,071.00
$250 deposit due by October 5, 1/2 payment of $900 by November 5, balance of $900 and Insurance of $21.00 by March 5)

Includes:
- 10 days stay in Costa Rica
- In-country transportation to and from airport and road trips
- Accommodation and Meals (breakfast and dinner)
- *Not included in program fees - GSU Tuition and fees (3 credits), Airfare from place of origination, Souvenirs and Spending cash money
- 24/7 in-country Program Coordinator/Guide
- 24 hours service credit completion (optional)

Academics:
- 3 credit hours that can be applied towards nursing major
- GSU Tuition and fees
- 16 hours of service learning
- Financial aid including HOPE Scholarship can be applied toward tuition and books.
- Other forms of aid including grants, loans, academic, and other eligible scholarships are applicable toward program fees.

Airfare:
- Purchase early for a reasonable price to San Jose (Costa Rica)
- Recommended Airline for Program: Delta Airlines. Arrive by 12 noon in San Jose, Costa Rica (required).

Application Deadline: March 5, 2019
- $250 deposit and application required to secure space due by October 5
- First half payment of $900 due November 5
- Balance of $900 due March 5
- Insurance of $21.00 by March 5
- Payment for full program fee is due on or before March 5, 2018

All deposits and program payments should be made online at:
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△ Submit $250 deposit with application (May Pay online or make check payable to Georgia Southern and make payment at the Cashier’s Office).
△ Unofficial Academic Transcript (Must be in good academic standing, GPA of 2.5 required to participate in program).

I. Personal Information:
Name: Last ___________________________________________ First _____________________________ Middle ______________________
Eagle ID Number_________________ Age_________ Birth date_________________________ Gender: Male ____ Female_____
Phone Number: Cell (______) ___________________ Home (______) _____________________________
Email: _________________________________________________
Present Mailing Address_______________________________
Permanent Mailing Address (if different from above) ________________________________

II. Passport Information:
○ I have a current passport Expires _________/_________/__________
○ I am applying for a passport Date of Application _________/_________/_________
Overseas Travel Experience: ____ Yes (If yes, list below countries you have traveled to) No _____
1. ______________________________ 2. ______________________________________ 3. ______________________________

III. Academic Information:
Current class standing (check one): ___Freshman ___Sophomore ___Junior ___Senior
Major________________________ Currently enrolled at Georgia Southern University: Yes ____ No _____
Institution to which grades are to be sent (non-Georgia Southern University students only): ________________________________

IV. Agreement:
I understand that I will be on good student conduct and adhere to the GSU Student Code of Conduct during my stay in Costa Rica. Violation of the Student Code of Conduct may result in academic failure in the course. Any misconduct that places myself and others in jeopardy may result in my immediate return to the U.S at own expense and at the discretion of the professor. I expect to be a good ambassador and to well represent the university during my stay in Costa Rica.
Georgia Southern has the right to cancel the program due to low enrollment or unforeseen events. Paid monies including deposit will be returned in the event of program cancellation. Tuition and fees, airfare, and personal expenses are not included in the program fee. Total Program Fee is $2,071.00 including deposit and insurance.

Applicant Signature___________________________ Date: ______________________

For Program Director Use Only: (Payment & Date)
______ Deposit ($250) Paid First Payment of $900 _____ 2nd Payment of $900 _____ Insurance of $21.00 _______
Total Payment of $2,071 (including deposit and insurance) ________ $2,071.00

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