

# CHHS: Public Health Brigade to Ghana



May 22 - June 2, 2020



## contact

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### Faculty Leaders:

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## course options

### Credit/Audit

3 Credit:  
SOCW 5000 or  
CDIS 8000  
Audit for \$75



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# course description

Volunteers work with local artisans (masons, carpenters and plumbers) to partition existing bathrooms of households and install pour-flush water closet toilets with septic tanks. This technology which leverages the existing assets of households ensure that very hygienic toilets can be constructed at a very minimal cost as the method eliminates the need for the construction of superstructure for the toilet. This brigade incorporates experiential learning course content, which examines the relationship between the Transatlantic Slave Trade and Mass Incarceration in America. Students will visit a local school and journey the path of three locations where Africans were captured before departing and embarking upon 500 years of enslavement. The academic course around the service program will be an emotional journey that looks at how the slave trade began and how it still affects society today.

# scholarships

Study Abroad Scholarship is available. Application deadline is Feb. 15, 2020.  
Brigade Leader grant awards a \$250 reimbursement.



# expenses

Program fee: \$2,695

Included: International airfare, accommodations, all meals, transportation, health insurance, site visit, and visa  
Not included: Tuition & Fees or Auditing fee, vaccinations (Yellow Fever, Typhoid, Malaria, and Hepatitis A + B), personal items, and passport

# payments

\$250 Deposit- February 6th

\$600- March 1st

\$600- April 1st

\$600- April 15th

\$645, or remaining balance- May 1st

# tentative schedule

Saturday, 23rd May- Airport pickup & Depart for Lodging Facility in Accra  
Sunday, 24th May- Depart from Lodging Facility, orientation, presentation, and Charla preparation  
Monday, 25th May- Community tour, meet households, and Charla at school level  
Tuesday, 26th May- Construction Day 1 & time with Artisans  
Wednesday, 27th May- Construction Day 2 & Charla for households  
Thursday, 28th May- Construction Day 3  
Friday, 29th May- Construction Day 4 & Brief about tradition and culture  
Saturday, 30th May- Cultural Tours: Last Bath & Cape Coast Tour  
Sunday, 31st May- Cultural Tour: Lunch at One Africa, Cultural Immersion  
Monday, 1st June- Akoma School in Cape Coast and 11:30 depart from Cape Coast

# application procedure

1. Contact Amy Soub at [asoub@govst.edu](mailto:asoub@govst.edu) for an appointment
2. Fill out the study abroad application and deposit form due **February 6th, 2020**
3. Meet with Faculty Leaders, Dr. West & Dr. Koonce; Program leaders will make the final decision on participants.  
**Interviews will take place Feb. 7-12.**
4. Apply for Study Abroad Scholarship by Feb. 15
5. Apply for a passport if you don't already have one or if it will expire within 6 months after departure