

Interdisciplinary Leadership

# Interdisciplinary Leadership in Ghana June 9 - 18, 2022

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## Points of Discussion

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## Program Description

#### Why Ghana?

• This program will expose INLD students to leaders and leadership in Ghana and offer them the opportunity to expand their networks and professional relationships. As our program grows both nationally and internationally, we want to provide our students an opportunity to develop a broader understanding of leadership. The country of Ghana was selected because it provides a rich history of growth, democratic leadership, and a country that is emerging, but still has some challenges in the areas of education, non-profit leadership, and the development of social enterprises. This will provide our students an excellent chance to put into practices many of the principles of organizational development and leadership they are learning in our program.

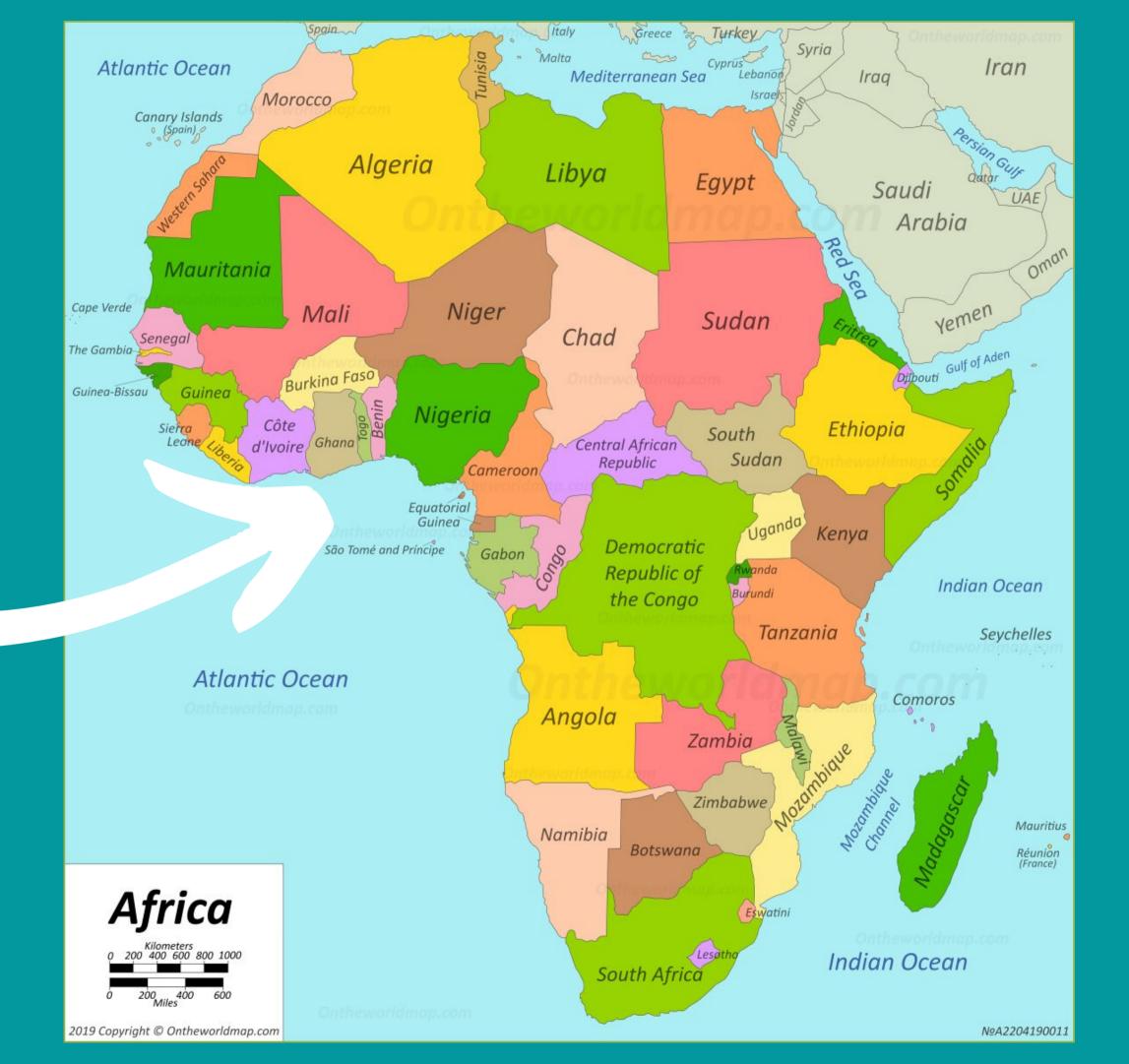


## Program Description

#### **Key Takeaways**

- Critically compare and contrast the principles of leadership held and practiced in Ghana and examine in comparison with other countries, particularly the US.
- Gain a better understanding the realities of non-profit, social entrepreneurship and other public agencies, and develop insight on the leadership that it takes to develop strong civil societies.
- Develop an increased intercultural competence, particularly in areas of intercultural knowledge, verbal and non-verbal communication skills, and cultural respect and empathy

## Where in the world is Ghana?



## GSU Course Info

Register for one 3-credit course Alumni can audit the course for \$75

#### **SUPT 9340**

Analyzes the role and responsibilities of the superintendent with respect to the Illinois School Superintendent Standards, i.e., facilitating a vision of educational excellence, learning environment and instructional program, management, collaboration with families and communities, and knowledge of laws, regulations, and professional ethics.

#### **NPSE 9106**

Explores political, environmental, societal and technological factors that influence contemporary nonprofit organizations. Innovative strategies for managing, financing and marketing nonprofit organizations are emphasized. Methods for diagnosing evolving challenges and opportunities are studied. Theoretical, empirical and practical sources are analyzed.

#### **HEAD 9203**

Examines the current trends in higher education in America and abroad. Focus will be placed on the need for different types of leadership, program design and delivery models. The role of higher education in promoting educational attainment, civic engagement, sustainability, and globalization is explored. Contemporary policy issues are also addressed. Prerequisite: Graduate student in the Interdisciplinary Leadership Ed.D. Program, Higher Education Concentration.



Educational Travel & Experiences

## Worldstrides Support

- Allies in your learning outcomes
- Our network is your network
- With you every stop of the way
- Ensuring your safety





### Accomodations

#### **Accra City Hotel**

Location: City Center

Why we love it: Centrally located with nearby attractions within walking distance. There's a cozy international restaurant, as well as 2 bars. A sundeck with shaded loungers flanks an outdoor pool. Amenities include a gym, a tennis court, a business center with several meeting rooms.

Always Included: Daily breakfasts at your accommodations, wireless internet, taxes & service charges, and any applicable meal gratuities

Students will be in shared rooms
Single room upgrades may be available upon request for an additional fee

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## Thursday, June 9

**Depart Chicago** 

Meet at O'Hare International Airport and check in for the flight as a group.



## Friday, June 10

#### **Arrival in Accra**

Welcome to Accra! Ghana's capital stretches along the Atlantic coast and into the mainland, with distinct surrounding regions that represent diverse slivers of Ghanaian life. A visit is a chance to explore them all, from the financial district to the historic forts to the local markets where modern life is lived.

- ☐ Upon arrival, meet your guide and board your private coach at the airport for transfer to the hotel
- Check-in to your hotel
- Enjoy a free evening with dinner on own



## Saturday, June 11

#### **Tour of Accra**

SW.E.B. Du Bois Centre for Pan Africanism Old Accra Accra Fishing Harbour James town National Arts and Cultural Centre for shopping

- Enjoy lunch on own during your tour, stop provided
- After tour, return to your hotel
- In the evening, meet your guide and board coach to dinner.
- Taste the local cuisine with a Welcome Dinner with an authentic cultural performance. (round-trip coach transportation provided).
- After dinner, return to the hotel.



## Sunday, June 12

#### **Kakum National Park & Elmina Castle Tour**

#### **Tour of Kakum National Park**

Start your tour on a morning walk of the "Kuntan Trail" with its countless trees with medicinal properties. For the young at heart experience the "Canopy Walkway" suspended 100 feet from the forest ground for a panoramic view of the flora and fauna of the remaining vestiges of the rainforest.

- After your tour, enjoy a group lunch at a local restaurant
- After lunch, board your coach for transfer to Elmina Castle

#### **Tour of Elmina Castle**

Elmina Castle was built by the Portuguese in 1482. This UNESCO World Heritage Site marks the first place where Europeans landed in West Africa. See the slave dungeons and the condemned cell where recaptured runaway slaves were incarcerated. Before departing, drive through the Cape Coast Township with its narrow streets modeled on the Yorkshire.

- After your tour, board your coach for return transfer to Accra
- Enjoy a free evening with dinner on own

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## Monday, June 12

#### **Company Visits**

#### **Emerging Trends of Higher Education in Ghana**

A typical visit includes a management discussion, leadership speaker, facility tour and/or presentation.

- Enjoy lunch as a group at a local restaurant
- After lunch, continue to your next visit

#### Political and Legal Issues of Higher Education in Ghana

Return to your hotel. Enjoy a free evening with dinner on own.



## Tuesday, June 14

#### **Company Visits**

#### **Dynamics of Campus Climate in Ghana**

- Enjoy lunch as a group at a local restaurant
- After lunch, continue to your next visit

#### Fostering Change and Promoting Diversity in Higher Education

Return to your hotel. Enjoy a free evening with dinner on own.



## Wednesday, June 15

#### **Strategy Challenge**

## Challenges and Innovative Opportunities Associated with Higher Education in Ghana – Strategy Challenge

This session provides students with a hands-on experience while fostering teambuilding and leadership skills. Student teams will be presented a business challenge and work towards the best solution during a brainstorming session. After pitching group solutions to the host company, each group will receive feedback on the feasibility of their suggestions.

- Enjoy lunch as a group at a local restaurant
- After lunch, return to the hotel.
- Enjoy a free afternoon with dinner on own



## Thursday, June 16

#### **Giving Back: Service-Learning & Farewell Dinner**

#### Issues and Trends for Non-Profits in Ghana – Service Learning

Students are able to involve themselves with the community in a hands-on way, learning what local organizations are doing to uplift neighborhoods and communities, including the influence and impact of history, culture, politics and economics. Key pillars of service can include: human services, education, healthcare, sustainability, social entrepreneurship and women's service.

- Enjoy lunch on own at a provided stop
- After lunch, return to the hotel.
- Enjoy a free afternoon
- In the evening, meet your guide and board coach to transfer to dinner at a local restaurant.
- Taste the local cuisine with a Farewell Dinner (round-trip coach transportation provided)
- After dinner, return to the hotel.

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## Friday, June 17

#### **Return Home**

- Check out of your hotel and store luggage with reception.
- Spend your free day exploring Accra!
- Lunch and dinner on own.
- In the evening, meet your guide and board coach for transfer to the airport for your return flight home.
- Group flight departs en-route to Chicago.



## Saturday, June 18

**Arrive in Chicago** 

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## Health & Safety

#### **Travel Advisories for Ghana**

- Department of State: LEVEL 2 Exercise increased caution.
- CDC: LEVEL 1 Low Make sure you are fully vaccinated before traveling to Ghana.

GSU and Worldstrides will be closely monitoring the travel advisories and other health and safety risks as we get closer to the travel period.



## COVID-19

#### **Considerations**

The requirements for travel are changing everyday.

You may be required to do a rapid test prior to departure and upon return.

Please be prepared to cover the cost of these.

Treatment for COVID-19 would be considered like any other medical condition and is subject to the policy terms and conditions. If you experience symptoms, you should seek medical care. Expenses resulting from Medically Necessary treatment will be considered for reimbursement according to the policy terms, conditions and exclusions.

GSU has added quarantine coverage up to \$2,000 per participant.



## Insurance

#### **International Health Insurance**

All participants will be enrolled in international health insurance. Ask OIS for more details on the plan.

#### **Cancel for Any Reason Insurance (CFAR)**

All participants will be enrolled in Cancel for Any Reason insurance. This plan helps protect students' investment. Students can choose to add Interrupt For Any Reason Insurance. Ask OIS for more details on either plan.



## Program Fees

\$5,400\*

Roundtrip International Flight
Hotel Accommodations
Two meals per day
Transportation
Guides
Cultural Immersions
Company Visits
Academic Engagements
Visa Fees
International Health Insurance
Cancel For Any Reason Insurance

\*Please note, due to the uncertainty of the ongoing pandemic, your program may be subject to additional expenses to meet new required government policies and procedures. WorldStrides will make best efforts to communicate new rules and policies as soon as we learn in order to share the impact on your program.

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## Out-Of-Pocket Costs

One meal per day
Vaccinations (Yellow Fever, Typhoid, Hep A, Hep B, Malaria)
Personal Expenses
Souvenirs

#### STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

The Office of International Services has awards available between \$250-750.

To be eligible, must be an active GSU student.

- 1. Study Abroad Scholarship Application
- 2. Resume
- 3.2 Letters of Recommendation
- 4. Essay with follow-on project

Application Deadline: March 1, 2022

Access the GSU Study Abroad Scholarship Application now!

# Application & Payment Deadlines

#### **Dates to Remember:**

January 26 - Application Due

Access the GSU Study Abroad Application Packet

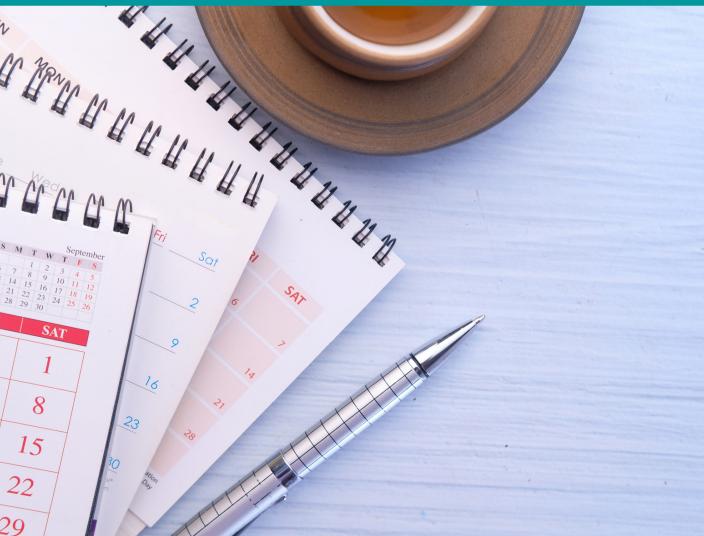
February 1 or upon Acceptance - \$500 Deposit February 15 - \$1,000

March 1 - \$1,000

March 15 - \$1,000

April 1 - Remaining Balance







# Apply for your Passport Book

#### Apply at your local post office

Passport application
Passport photos
Proof of U.S. Citizenship (birth certificate)
ID
Fee (\$145) 8-11 weeks
Expedite (\$60) 5-7 weeks

Be sure to apply no later than January 15, will need to expedite it.
OIS will need to collect all passports and visa applications by March 20.

Planning to travel between March 20 and June 9? Have a passport already? Make sure it is valid at least 6 months after departure from Ghana.

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