Panama: Through the Lens of AgriCulture, Sustainability and Diversity
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Who is included?

1. Under-represented students
2. Economically challenged
3. Low Socio-Economic Status Students
How is this program different?

1. Appeals to all majors
2. Experience a setting w/ an intermix of racial engagement in community
3. Overcome barriers to intimidation by student participants
4. Affordable Price which includes
   a) Airfare
   b) Meals
   c) Lodging
   d) Tours and
   e) Insurance
Panama Course Learning Objectives

1. Translate/Compare traditional **U.S. practices** (animals, environment, culture, community) to **economy** (structure, transportation, trade) in a developing world country

2. Identify various socioeconomic statuses on agricultural outcomes
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3. Examine economic impact of sustainability to compare life outcomes of residents (food, housing, utilities, materials)

4. Understand a setting with an intermixed racial population

5. Compare applications from Ohio to Panama
Why Panama?

- Easily accessible
- Stable currency
- Currency is US dollar
- Has first world infrastructure
- Relatively safe location
- Wide range of ethnic groups- mirrors U.S. demographics
- P. C. bridges the two oceans – instrumental to world trade
Scheduled Activities Included

1. **Construction**
   1. Museum Historical Perspective
   2. Transit system structure
   3. Design and operation of the Canal
   4. Impact on the Panamanian economy

2. **Sustainability**
   1. Develop innovations with local Sustainability Council
   2. Solar drying systems
   3. Baking houses

3. **Fruits and Crops**
   1. Organic operations: pineapple, orchids
   2. Farm, shrimp, sugarcane, horses, livestock

4. **Local enterprises**
   1. Rolled cigar factory
   2. Salt flats
“It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.” — Confucius
Application Deadline: Nov. 1, 2019

Program Fee: $2299

CFAES Students: Start the application by October 1 to be considered for CFAES Ed Abroad Scholarship Funds

Complete application

• Pay $150 application fee
• Upload advising report
• Answer application questions
• Click Complete and Submit button
• Wait for further instructions
  – After the application deadline interviews will be held
Funding Study Abroad

- **Studying abroad is an educational expense**
  All federal grants, state grants, and loans can potentially be used to finance education abroad expenses. (Buckeye Link: [http://contactbuckeyelink.osu.edu/](http://contactbuckeyelink.osu.edu/))

- **Grants and Scholarships**
  - College or Department - CFAES Scholarship ([http://cfaes.osu.edu/students/money-matters/scholarships/form/scholarship-application.php](http://cfaes.osu.edu/students/money-matters/scholarships/form/scholarship-application.php))
  - Outside of the University ([https://oia.osu.edu/getting-started/grants-and-scholarships.html](https://oia.osu.edu/getting-started/grants-and-scholarships.html))
  - STEP (Second-year Transformational Experience Program)

- **Fundraise**
  - Local civic organization (Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions, American Legion, etc.)
  - Your off-campus job or a parent’s employer
  - Get an “advance” on future gifts from friends and family
  - Be an entrepreneur (bake sales, part-time job, paid blogger)
  - Around the world in 5K
How to apply for your passport?

Complete the application form: DS-11 (download from US State Department Website) but not signed (https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html)

When you apply, you must present

- An original document as Primary Evidence of U.S. citizenship, which will be returned to you after your application is processed (and a copy of it).
- Your Photo ID (and a copy of it)
- 1 Passport Photo (could be taken in College Education Abroad office)

Acceptance Facilities (close to campus):

- Upper Arlington Public Library, 2800 Tremont Road, Upper Arlington (#84 COTA)
- US Post Office, 234 W 18th Ave, Columbus
- Most US post offices are passport acceptance facilities.
  Please double check with the US Post Office close to where you live before you go.
Thank You!

Questions?

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