

IS 239

Jterm2020 Course Eval

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Q4 - The course I took was

#	Field	Choice Count
5	International Studies 239: Roatan: Ethical Engagement in a Changing World	6

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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	The course I took was	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6

Q32 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to the portion of the program Prior to Departure

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	The application process was straightforward and clear.	0	0	0	3	3	6
2	I received sufficient information from the Center for Global Learning to navigate the process from acceptance to my actual departure.	0	0	0	3	3	6
3	The Center for Global Learning pre-departure orientation (the large group session in Valders 206) prepared me for my off-campus course (leave blank if you participated in a domestic program).	0	0	0	3	3	6
4	The pre-departure session(s) conducted by my program leader(s) prepared me for my off-campus course.	0	0	0	3	3	6

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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	The application process was straightforward and clear.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
2	I received sufficient information from the Center for Global Learning to navigate the process from acceptance to my actual departure.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
3	The Center for Global Learning pre-departure orientation (the large group session in Valders 206) prepared me for my off-campus course (leave blank if you participated in a domestic program).	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
4	The pre-departure session(s) conducted by my program leader(s) prepared me for my off-campus course.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6

Q37 - Please reflect on the pre-departure preparations. Are there topics that were not covered in your pre-departure preparations that you would have liked the CGL staff/program leaders to cover?

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N/A

Q38 - With respect to packing, what do you wish you had brought with you? What do you wish you had left behind?

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I wish I had brought more tshirts because it rained a lot the first two weeks we were there and because it was humid, they didn't dry very well.

Packing list was amazing and helped me pack just right!

Pants

I wish I had brought more undergarments.

Q39 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to the Off-Campus Program

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	There was a strong connection between the course content and the program location(s).	0	0	0	2	4	6
2	The amount of time allocated to structured "class time," group experiential learning, and free time was balanced.	1	1	0	1	3	6

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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	There was a strong connection between the course content and the program location(s).	4.00	5.00	4.67	0.47	0.22	6
2	The amount of time allocated to structured "class time," group experiential learning, and free time was balanced.	1.00	5.00	3.67	1.60	2.56	6

Q40 - Please provide further comment on your answers above, as desired.

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I hope we had better criteria of what was expected of our time and effort at our specific internship sites. The organization I worked with at SOL community center included food catering and learning, enhancing education with kids but they treated as though we were mere babysitters rather than interns. I hope that our supervisors can create a solid plan in advance with the organizations so that we are not put in an awkward spot.

There was not nearly enough free time.

We did not really receive a lot of free time in the beginning two weeks. It was a lot of field trips and speakers which was very valuable, but it really made us mentally exhausted.

Q41 - Tell about an experience that enhanced your understanding of yourself or changed you.

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Working in the school where I had my internship allowed me to learn a lot about myself. I was faced with a group of 6th graders who were used to doing their work unsupervised, so when I started making them do their work, they wouldn't listen to me. It took a lot for me not to get upset that they weren't listening or doing things the way that I would have done something. This taught me that just because the way I grew up learning doesn't mean that that style of teaching is going to work there. There is no right or wrong because the people on the island are living in a way that works for them.

Being in a classroom allowed me to experience my future as a teacher. It was amazing to see how school differs from here compared to there.

My first time exploring underwater was eye opening because as a person who loves large bodies of water I thought it would be easy but it was challenging and shocking to be mindful of my own reactions.

It was amazing to be full immersed in the culture. I loved living in an apartment and being so free to do what we wanted in our time off.

An more general experience that enhanced an understanding of myself was the language barrier. It made me really regret not continuing with Spanish because I so badly wanted to be able to be fluent and have conversations with the locals and the patients at Clinica Esperanza.

Q42 - Tell about an experience that enhanced your understanding of the location(s) where you studied.

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The tour of the Colonia. It was neat to see parts of the island that typical tourists do not experience.

I loved my experience with the locals especially learning about those who settled on the island centuries ago along with the culture, dances, language and ethical engagement with the community such as the Garifuna.

Anytime that we were able to go one step further than most tourists so when we went to Punta Gorda and talked to the people at the community center. When we went to the top of the Colonia. When we went to the sloth hangout but talked to the family afterwards.

I got the opportunity to go into the community with the community health nurse, and it enhanced my understanding of healthcare in Roatan because it is very, very limited, but there are still people who are providing it (or attempting to provide it) to all.

Q43 - Which program field trips, excursions, museum visits, etc. did you find particularly enriching.

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Sloth hangout, Gumba Limba, Colonia, Punta Gorda, Utila, kayak trip

Colonia, scuba diving, Punta Gorda

I loved all field trips but as I stated earlier I hope the itinerary was more handy and readily available in advance.

All of them were amazing but going to Utila was an awesome way to compare the islands and get a break from our little bubble.

Visiting La Colonia and Punta Gorda, the discover scuba experience, trip to Utila

The field trip to the Colonia and the Garifuna culture field trip were two things that I think would have been a shame if we missed out on when we were here. Also, getting to try out the different modes of transportation and needing to negotiate prices was particularly enriching because it is so different than back at home.

Q45 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to

Accommodations/Transportation/Food

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	I was satisfied with the accommodations.	0	0	0	3	3	6
2	I was satisfied with the classroom/meeting spaces.	0	0	0	3	3	6
3	I was satisfied with the ground transportation arrangements.	0	0	0	3	3	6
4	I was satisfied with the air transportation arrangements.	0	0	0	3	3	6
5	I was satisfied with the number of group meals.	0	1	0	2	3	6
	I was satisfied with the quality of group meals.	0	0	0	1	5	6

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1	I was satisfied with the accommodations.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
2	I was satisfied with the classroom/meeting spaces.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
3	I was satisfied with the ground transportation arrangements.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
4	I was satisfied with the air transportation arrangements.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
5	I was satisfied with the number of group meals.	2.00	5.00	4.17	1.07	1.14	6
6	I was satisfied with the quality of group meals.	4.00	5.00	4.83	0.37	0.14	6

Q46 - Please comment on aspects related to accommodations, transportation, and food.

Your insights will help us improve future programs.

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We were only provided group dinners with I was happy with. However, there were times that we had to cook for 20 people with the \$60 that we get for our whole week allowance of food and transportation. I had to add my personal money for this and I hope that people who go on this course wouldn't be forced to carry this time of harsh responsibility especially when we were already tired from field trips and internships on the same day.

I thought it was a cool experience to get to shop for ourselves and plan meals. I think there could have been more of an explanation of best ways to cook for yourself. That sounds silly but most people only ate PB&Js all three weeks for lunch and maybe if there were easy cheap ideas given, people might have branched out more.

The hosts were amazing. The apartments were good for the most part, although the wifi went out a lot. The hotel on Utila was kind of dumpy though.

Adrien's food was AMAZING! I did not like having to cook for everyone because there was little direction which made it tricky.

Q44 - How much did you personally spend on food while at the program location(s).

#	Field	Choice Count
1	<\$100	1
2	\$101-\$200	4
3	\$201-\$300	1
4	\$301-\$400	0
5	\$401-\$500	0
6	\$501-\$600	0
7	>\$601	0
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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Total Spent	1.00	3.00	2.00	0.58	0.33	6

Q59 - What few words or phrases would you use to describe the experience to others?

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learned a lot about myself and how to explore a foreign place

Thrilling, life changing, amazing, warm)

Challenging and frustrating at times but truly a life-changing experience that toughened me.

Warm, laughter-filled, insightful, vocation, challenging

Busy, disappointing, unfairly graded, stressful, fun outside of class

Beautiful. Eye-opening. Roatan is a place full of developing opportunities. Unforgettable.

Q58 - Would you recommend this program to others? Why or why not?

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I would absolutely recommend this program to others because I had an amazing time. It was a chance to interact with students that I may not have gotten the opportunity to interact with, and I learned so much about a different culture that I can now come back home and examine how we do things. It was a good experience to step back from being someone in a developed country and realizing how good we have things here.

Yes! In a heart beat. It was an amazing course in an amazing area. More people need to experience life down in Roatan.

Yes, but only if there were better guidelines on the internships

Yes, because it is unlike all the JTerms I have ever heard of. You are able to explore and live on your own but still find comfort in a group.

No. It was a cool location, but the class aspect of the trip took away almost all of our free time. This, combined with the unnecessarily harsh grading, made the trip significantly less enjoyable than it should have been. Going forward, the professors need to give prospective students a more realistic idea of what the class would be like.

I would recommend this program to others because it forces you to assimilate to a new culture that is way out of comfort zones and it was simply just some good ole' plain fun. I made about 30 new friends between the VanZee's and the clinic people and my classmates on the trip. It is something I will never forget!

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