

Furman University Study Away Program: Program Expectations

Program Title: Mapping Culture and Identity in Quebec

Locations: Quebec, Canada (Quebec City Trois-Rivieres, Montreal)

Dates: May 10-31, 2023

Program Description: In this program, students will study and explore first-hand the evolution of this Francophone community's identity in Quebec, Canada, from the 17th to the 21st century around the exploration of the Quebec Province through its three major cities: Quebec City, Trois-Rivieres, and Montreal. Students will study this Francophone community's identity evolution from "les Habitants" (French settlers) to the "French Canadians" to "les Québécois" (since 1960s) while following the course of the Saint Lawrence River. The course will be organized chronologically, and by following the river, students will also experience the First Nations' strong presence and their diversity as well as their major influence/role in the success of the original colony; students will explore the role of the wood industry and the immigration patterns that the Industrial Revolution generated in Trois-Rivieres. Finally, students will explore contemporary Montreal and its incredible diversity, while remaining the most Francophone city in the world, after Paris. This program will be conducted in English and all majors are welcome!

Academic, Environmental, Physical & Health Expectations for Participation

Below is a list of academic, environmental and physical expectations and requirements for participation in this study away program. The list captures most, but not all, requirements. If you have questions about the expectations and requirements, please check with the study away office or the program directors. Students requiring a physical or academic accommodation should contact the Student Office for Accessibility Resources (SOAR) no less than 4 months prior to the start date of the program.

Frequency		Frequency	
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS	Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional	STUDY AWAY ENVIRONMENT	Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional
Course work in a foreign language	Never	Foreign Language Environment	French
Course work in English	Always	Terrain (Mountains, Tropical, Forest, Desert, Hilly, Flat)	Hilly, cobblestones
Laptop Required	Required	Population: Rural, Urban, Remote, etc.	Urban
Smart phone required (videos, photos, blogs)	Required	Environment (high altitude, air pollution, dusty, sandy, humid, dry, hot, cold)	Some humidity, cool to moderate temperatures
Traditional Classroom	Never	Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	No
Group Work	Yes	Is tap water safe to drink	Safe to drink
Academic Assessments (tests, journals, presentations, essays)	Blogs, social media, video reflection, readings, group discussion.	Other Risks (natural disasters, crime, pickpocketing, etc.)	Pickpocketing
Interactions with local residents	Sometimes	Cultural Dress Code	No
Field Work/Research	Never	Curfew	No
Internship/ Volunteer Work	Never	Motion Sickness	Plane, train, bus, subway, and possible boat travel
Other	Knowledge of French language is not required.	Other	

PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS		Frequency	HEALTH & DIET		Frequency
		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional			Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional
Lifting/Carrying Own Luggage		Frequent	Vegetarian and Vegan Options Available at all meals		Always
Carrying equipment or program supplies		Never	Food Allergy Accommodations		Always
Standing 60+ minutes		Sometimes	Group Meals		Sometimes
Ability to walk up one or more flights of stairs (elevators may not be available)		Sometimes	Cooking for oneself		Never
Hiking (easy to strenuous; frequency; miles)		Never	Host family prepares meals		Never
Walking 3+ miles per day		Always	Healthcare easily accessible		Always
Use of public transportation (buses, trams, trains, subways)		Always	Quality of Healthcare		Excellent
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional	WATER ACTIVITIES		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional
Host Family			Swimming		No
Roommate		Always	Snorkeling		No
Shared Apartment		Possible	SCUBA		No
Dormitory			Boat, canoes or other water activities		Possible river cruise
Camping			Sea sickness		Possible
Hotel		Yes	Other		
Cell phone signal available		Always	Center for Disease Control Recommendations: https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/canada		
Internet signal available		Always			
Refrigerator Access		Always			
Air Conditioning		In most places			
Other					