

Furman University Study Away Program: Program Expectations

Program Title: Queer Histories

Locations: San Francisco, CA

Dates: May 10-31, 2023

Program Description: Queer Histories (San Francisco) will cover significant moments in LGBTQIA+ history, literature, and culture in the symbolic capital city of LGBTQIA+ communities. The course will cover topics from queer activism of the 20th century to the AIDS crisis, Harvey Milk (including the White night riots), the first Pride parade, the first same-sex marriage license, and many more. After spending the first week of the May X program on campus (where students will do some background work on method, terminology and a general historical overview), students will develop their own research agenda about queer histories by working in two significant archives of the city: GLBT Museum and Archive and Hormel LGBTQIA+ Center. Students will also attend workshops with our guest lectures, visit critical historic sites in San Francisco as a group, and be given time to explore the city on their own. The course will offer students a journey to expand their knowledge of the US and LGBTQIA+ history in San Francisco, the symbolic heart of LGBTQIA+ rights, culture, and history.

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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	Not Applicable (domestic program)
Course work in English	Always	Terrain (Mountains, Tropical, Forest, Desert, Hilly, Flat)	Very hilly
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)	Humid, cool temperatures
Traditional Classroom	Sometimes	Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	None
Group Work	Always	Is tap water safe to drink	Safe to drink
Academic Assessments (tests, journals, presentations, essays)	Essays, presentations	Other Risks (natural disasters, crime, pickpocketing, etc.)	Potential for earthquakes
Interactions with local residents	Always	Cultural Dress Code	None
Field Work/Research	Research	Curfew	None
Internship/Volunteer Work		Motion Sickness	Plane and van travel
Other		Other	

PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS		Frequency	
	Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional
Lifting/Carrying Own Luggage	Required	HEALTH & DIET	
Carrying equipment or program supplies	Never	Vegetarian and Vegan Options Available at all meals	Always
Standing 60+ minutes	Sometimes	Food Allergy Accommodations	Always
Ability to walk up one or more flights of stairs (elevators may not be available)	Always	Group Meals	Five group meals included in cost
Hiking (easy to strenuous; frequency; miles)	Never	Cooking for oneself	Never
Walking 3+ miles per day	Sometimes	Host family prepares meals	Never
Use of public transportation (buses, trams, trains, subways)	Sometimes	Healthcare easily accessible	Always
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS	Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional	Quality of Healthcare	Excellent
Host Family	Never	WATER ACTIVITIES	Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional
Roommate	Always	Swimming	None
Shared Apartment	Never	Snorkeling	None
Dormitory	Sometimes (on campus)	SCUBA	None
Camping	Never	Boat, canoes or other water activities	None
Hotel	Sometimes (in San Francisco)	Sea sickness	None
Cell phone signal available	Always	Other	
Internet signal available	Always		
Refrigerator Access	Always		
Air Conditioning	Always		
Other			