

Furman University Study Away Program: Academic, Environmental, Physical & Health Expectations

Program: Footlights, Big City: Opera and Broadway in NYC

Dates: May 8-28, 2024

Request accommodations through the Student Office for Accessibility Resources (SOAR)

Course Description: Opportunity to intensively study several complete operas. Students will prepare a variety of readings and watch video [and live] performances as a group of operas to become the basis of seminar discussions. Students will prepare a final presentation and paper on a topic to be selected in collaboration with the instructor.

Program Description: Starting with a week on the Furman University campus (6 class days over 8 nights), this program will then travel to New York City. We will attend multiple performances at the Metropolitan Opera – John Adams – El Niño, Georges Bizet – Carmen, Christoph Willibald Gluck – Orfeo ed Euridice, and Kevin Puts – The Hours. We will also attend at least one performance on Broadway, including Hadestown (winner of multiple Tony awards including Best Musical and Best Score). We plan to take back-stage tours of the Metropolitan Opera and Lincoln Center as well as visit the Metropolitan museum, which has an extensive collection of musical instruments. In their free time,

	Frequency						
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Optional	Recommended	Required
Course work in a foreign language	X						
Course work in English							X
Use of laptop			X				
Use of smart device			X				
Traditional Classroom			X				
Indoor Course Work				X			
Outdoor Course Work	X						
Group Work			X				
Presentations			X				
Interactions with local residents			X				
Field Work	X						
Internship	X						
Research	X						
Comments: All of the work will be on campus or in the urban environment of NYC.							

	Frequency				
HEALTH & DIET	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always
Vegetarian Options				X	
Vegan Options				X	
Food Allergy Accommodations					X
Group Meals			X		
Cooking for oneself	X				
Host family prepares meals	X				
Healthcare easily accessible					X
Comments:					

	Frequency				
STUDY AWAY ENVIRONMENT	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always
Foreign Language Environment	X				
Mountainous	X				
Tropical	X				
Desert	X				
Urban				X	
Rural	X				
High Elevation	X				
Dusty		X			
Air Pollution			X		
Recent Terrorism		X			
Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	X				
Earthquakes	X				
Other Natural Disaster	X				
Comments:					

	Frequency				
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
Host Family	X				
Roommate				X	
Shared Apartment	X				
Dormitory			X		
Camping	X				
Hotel			X		
Cell phone signal available					X
Internet signal available					X
Comments:					

	Frequency				
PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Daily
Lifting luggage			X		
Carrying luggage up stairs			X		
Carrying equipment	X				
Carrying groceries	X				
Standing 30+ minutes			X		
Walking 1+ miles			X		
Hiking (easy)	X				
Hiking (strenuous)	X				
Sitting 5+ hours			X		
Use of public transportation			X		
Flat terrain				X	
Hilly terrain		X			
Stairs				X	
Comments:					

	Frequency				
WATER ACTIVITIES	Never	Seldom	Often	Optional	Required
Swimming	X				
Snorkeling	X				
SCUBA	X				
Boating (speed boat)	X				
Rowing	X				
Comments:					