

SST: International and U.S.-based options 2020-2022

FALL 2020-21

NEW OPPORTUNITY!

Dreams & Journeys: Immigrants & Refugees — 14 credits

- A full semester of SST based in Northern Indiana. Much of what we hoped would happen internationally can still happen. In our new fall split semester, you can:
 - Bond with a group of students. You'll learn to know each other really well.
 - See your own country and culture from a new perspective.
 - Experience friendships and service in an intercultural context.
 - Learn outside of the classroom with your hands and heart as well as your head.
 - Save money and carbon.
- Spend the first half of the semester (Sept. 1 – Oct. 9) on campus taking two courses: **Global Issues: The Politics of the Global Migration Crisis** and a literature class: **Pursuing the American Dream — Immigrant Stories**. Building community with a weekly meal and reflection will be a part of this time.
- Spend the second half of the semester (Oct. 15 – Nov. 25) doing experiential learning by visiting refugee and immigrant communities in Northern Indiana and volunteering with an organization working on these issues, along with an action — research project.
- Note the slightly altered calendar for this local SST — a different and shorter mid term break (Oct. 10 – Oct. 14) and finishing by Thanksgiving due to increased hours with experiential learning opportunities.
- You can continue to be involved in athletics and other co-curriculars for the first half of the semester. During the second half of the semester, you will be off campus more often but will continue to return to campus most days. Although we will try to accommodate, involvement in extracurriculars may be affected.
- Commuter students are welcome. Expect to be part of group reflection, weekly meals and other community formation work on campus. Residential students will live in group housing.
- 14 hours of credit: You will not be able to sign up for other credit courses on campus. Use the SST enrollment form online to register for INTL 250. That will put you in all of these courses for the full semester:
 - INTL 299 **Topics: Pursuing the American Dream — Immigrant Stories** (3 credits)
 - INTL 260 **Global Topics: Politics of the Global Migration Crisis** (3 credits)
 - INTL 250-US **Cultural Perspectives: From Dreams to Reality — Life in Indiana** (3 credits)
 - INTL 270-US **Community Engaged Learning: Learning with Immigration Organizations** (3 credits)
 - CORE 305 **Integration Capstone** (2 credits), includes **Comida & Conversación — Food & Conversation**, once-weekly evening gathering on campus for a group meal and conversation as well as integration work at the end of the semester.
- **Faculty leaders:** Judy Weaver, *Director of the Academic Success Center* and Richard Aguirre, *Community Impact Coordinator*
- **Cost:** Regular tuition and a modest travel cost, TBA. (Commuter students do not pay added room and board fees as they would for international units.)

Sustainability Leadership Semester at Merry Lea — 16 credits

This opportunity as an SST alternative is open to Juniors and Seniors only and by permission (contact the SST department)

- This fall, Merry Lea's Sustainability Leadership Semester will strengthen its intercultural emphasis in order to open this program on a one-time basis for SST credit. Like SST, the SLS offers hands-on learning, frequent field trips and community service. Live and learn on a 1,200-acre nature preserve; explore the Elkhart River Watershed by canoe; build a deeper connection with place and local ecology. You'll also learn to see the region through the eyes of many other people—from industrial farmers to a Burmese community transplanted to urban Indiana. The ability to integrate multiple perspectives is essential for a resilient future. ***If the SLS is taken for SST credit, it cannot double count toward any major or minor.***
- **Cost:** Students are required to live at Merry Lea; room and board costs are similar to campus.

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Single course for SST Alt requirement:

Community Engaged Learning: Latino Community Histories — 3 credits

- **Description:** Learn the important skills of interviewing and oral history as you work with our local Goshen Historical Society to collect the stories of the Latino community and other local ethnic groups. Design a museum exhibit to represent our town's diverse stories.
- **Faculty leader:** Julia Schiavone Camacho, *Associate Professor of History*
- **Cost:** no extra cost to students

SPRING 2020-21

Ecuador SST — 15 credits

American Sign Language service placements will be offered in this semester due to the fall cancellation.

- **Requires:** two semesters of Spanish (101 and 102)
- **Faculty leaders:** Judy Weaver, *Director of the Academic Success Center* and Richard Aguirre, *Community Impact Coordinator*
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$500 travel cost

MAY TERM 2020-21

Single courses for SST Alt credit:

INTL 251 US Cultural Perspectives: From Chicago to Amish Country — 3 credits

- **Description:** Encounter various religious and ethnic groups, their histories and the global immigration stories that shape this region beyond just today's politics. Visit Chicago, Notre Dame, Goshen and Shipshewana.
- **Faculty leader:** Philipp Gollner, *Associate Professor of History*
- **Cost:** \$100 includes all travel expenses

INTL 251 PE Cultural Perspectives: Hiking the Inca Trail, Ecotourism in Peru — 3 credits

- **Description:** Travel to the Peruvian highlands to examine the impacts of ecotourism on indigenous identity, community development and the local economy. Experience Andean culture, music and cuisine. Live with host families, explore Cusco and the Sacred Valley. Finish with a trek on the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu.
- **Faculty leader:** Jerrell Ross Richer, *Professor of Economics*
- **Cost:** \$1,800 includes all travel expenses

INTL 271 US Community Engaged Learning: Environ Disaster & Response — 3 credits

- **Description:** Work with Mennonite Disaster Service to help a community rebuild after a hurricane or earthquake in Puerto Rico, Texas or Florida. Learn how to respond in ways that are ethical, sustainable and respectful. Carry out a community based research project together.
- **Faculty leader:** Professor to be announced
- **Cost:** \$350 includes all travel expenses

SUMMER 2020-21

Ecuador SST — 15 credits

- **Requires:** two semesters of Spanish (101 and 102)
- **Faculty leaders:** Judy Weaver, *Director of the Academic Success Center* and Richard Aguirre, *Community Impact Coordinator*
- **Cost:** Summer tuition, room and board + \$500 travel cost

Senegal SST — 15 credits

- **Requires:** two semesters of French (101 and 102)
- **Faculty leaders:** David Lind and Kendra Yoder, *Professors of Sociology*
- **Cost:** Summer tuition, room and board + \$1,000 travel cost

Two off-campus courses on Native American cultures in Arizona, taken together as a package (6 credits): May 20 — July 1, 2021

INTL 251 US Cultural Perspectives: Native American Cultures, Arizona — 3 credits

INTL 271 US Community Engaged Learning: Native American Health and Welfare — 3 credits

- **Description:** Travel, learn, and volunteer in Arizona on Native American Reservations. Work alongside recreation and/or healthcare professionals. Visit museums, cultural sites, parks, and enjoy the beautiful southwestern canyon country.
- **Faculty leader:** Erica Albertin, *Associate Athletic Director*
- **Cost:** Summer tuition, room and board. Check for scholarships

FALL 2021-22

Ecuador SST — 15 credits

American Sign Language section possible

- **Requires:** two semesters of Spanish (101 and 102)
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$500 travel cost

China SST — 15 credits

This unit added due to cancellation in 2020. The next unit to China is scheduled for fall 2023.

- **Requires:** one semester of Mandarin language
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$1,000 travel cost

SPRING 2021-22

Ecuador SST — 15 credits

- **Requires:** two semesters of Spanish (101 and 102)
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$500 travel cost

Indonesia SST — 15 credits

- **Requires:** one semester of Indonesian language
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$1,000 travel cost

SUMMER 2021-22

Ecuador SST — 15 credits

- **Requires:** two semesters of Spanish (101 and 102)
- **Cost:** Tuition, room and board + \$500 travel cost