

Study Abroad in SOUTH AFRICA



PENNSYLVANIA CENTER FOR
INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE
AND PARTNERSHIP



Nelson Mandela University (NMU), Port Elizabeth

The Pennsylvania Center for International Exchange and Partnership's partner in South Africa is the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (NMU), situated on the southernmost tip of Africa in a city called Port Elizabeth. It is one of few comprehensive universities in Africa and the world.

NMU's main campus (South & North Campus) is on a nature reserve with wildlife such as zebra, monkeys and different kinds of buck. As the largest higher education institution in the Eastern and Southern Cape, NMU has around 20,000 students enrolled, approximately 10% of whom are international students from across the world including 32 African countries, USA, Mexico, Japan and countries across Europe.

The Office for International Education at NMU offers assistance to international degree seeking students as well as Study Abroad (a semester or two at NMU), Short-term and Summer Programs (4-6 weeks in a range of courses), or customized courses to meet your needs. The university also offers English as a Foreign Language (17 weeks intensive program)

Academic Programs Available for Study Abroad Students

NMU offers a wide selection of majors from which students can choose their courses. Students studying abroad through PCIEP are allowed to register for practically any course that is offered provided they meet the prerequisites and there is room in the course for the semester the student wishes to enroll. All students are encouraged to take a course on South African culture. Currently, PCIEP offers study abroad programs for **Social Work, Business Administration, History, African Studies, Human Rights, Political Science, International Relations and Peace Studies majors or minors.** **Social Work** majors can receive 200 hours of field placement experience in a variety of non-government organizations and community-based agencies in and around Port Elizabeth based on availability.

COMMUNITY SERVICE LEARNING (CSL)

NMU offers students a Community Service Learning course for credit which also includes a project. A course and project outline is available on the PCIEP website. The module is worth 8 NMU credit and is an optional extra for students who want to do volunteer service in the Port Elizabeth community.

SUMMER and SHORT STAY PROGRAMMES

NMU offers short term programs as well that can be customized based on faculty needs. A complete listing of NMY Short Term or Summer Programs is available at <http://summerschoolsouthafrica.com>

APPLY TODAY

Now Accepting Applications for
Spring and Fall 2019

DEADLINES

- **Spring 2019:** October 31, 2018
- **Fall 2019:** April 1, 2019

HOW TO APPLY

To register to study abroad in spring and/or fall 2019, complete the PCIEP online application on our website at www.GlobalPartnerships.US

Or send an email to:

RobertWilliam@GlobalPartnerships.US

Or call 717-203-2992

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Additional Information

EXCURSIONS AND CULTURAL IMMERSION EXPERIENCES

PCIEP offers one cultural excursion to other parts of South Africa to enable students to appreciate the amazing diversity that is part of Indian life, culture and society. These excursions are included in the cost of the program. Students can also venture out on their own for weekend trips with other students as they learn their way around.

HOUSING

Housing for PCIEP students is available just off campus within walking distance. In addition, the university provides a shuttle bus service between the campuses. The state of the art facilities called Campus Key is located within a ten minute walk from the beach and was opened in fall 2016.

Housing for international, study abroad and local students is provided at CampusKey, a modern, high-security student housing located at CampusKey 9th Ave and CampusKey Scarborough. Check out what CampusKey accommodations have to offers at <https://campuskey.co.za/campus/port-elizabeth/>

HEALTH INSURANCE

The Government of South Africa requires that all international students to purchase valid health insurance from the South Africa even if they have health insurance from the US. Students are advised to refer to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website for specific vaccination information for South Africa particularly Yellow Fever.

PRE-DEPARTURE AND ON-SITE ORIENTATION

All students studying abroad at NMU through PCIEP have a mandatory pre-departure orientation session they need to participate in. This orientation covers several topics and issues to enable students to learn what to do on arrival, help you adjust well to your new campus and surroundings, become familiar with local cultural norms, and get over jet lag. After arrival in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, all PCIEP students will participate in an onsite orientation near Port Elizabeth which provides all incoming study abroad students an opportunity to connect with their peers and establish friendships before the semester begins.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

- Application due date

First semester: October 31, 2018

Second semester: April 1, 2019

- Academic Year

The NMU academic year is made up of two semesters. Each semester is made up of two terms:

Term 1 & 2 = Semester 1: February – June

Term 3 & 4 = Semester 2: July – November

- Module Credit Value Required NMU - Credits: 40 – 60 NMU credits required

Study Abroad/Exchange students are required to register for a minimum of 40 NMU credits. The maximum number of credits the students may register for is 60.

1 USA credit is equivalent to 4 NMU credits. This mean that the students may register for 10 – 15 USA credits.

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CRITICAL DATES FOR SEMESTER 1, 2019

Study Abroad & Exchange students are required to arrive at the university on Wed, 30 January 2019 and before Friday February 1, 2019

Weekend Orientation (optional):	Friday, 01 February – Sunday, 03 February 2019
Orientation (compulsory):	Monday, 04 February – Friday, 08 February 2019
Classes commence:	Monday, 11 February 2019
End of classes:	Tuesday 28 May 2019
Examination Dates:	Friday 31 May – Friday 21 June 2019
End of semester (students depart):	Saturday, 22 June 2019

More Information

To discuss your interest, contact **Robert William, President/CEO:**

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