FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ACADEMICS

What is the focus of this course?
Global health and social issues from the perspectives of national and international policy, economic and cultural issues, and activities that can alleviate the world-wide burden of disease and disparity.

Who can participate in this course?
Students with interest in health as a clinical, political, or economic topic, public policy, social services, etc. are invited to participate in this unique opportunity.

Will this course count toward my degree?
The course will count as an emphasis area or elective course in several degree programs at UMKC. Please check with your Academic Advisor to make sure.

How many credit hours is this course worth?
The course can only be taken for 3 hours of undergraduate or graduate credit.

LOGISTICS

Where will we stay in Cape Town?
Students will stay in off-campus houses or boutique hotels in Cape Town. The program fee will cover shared accommodations starting the night of May 21 and ending at the check out time on May 28.

Will the class fly together to and from Cape Town (CPT)?
No. Students will make their own flight arrangements. Given the flight schedules and time difference, choose a flight with arrival time at CPT no later than May 21 night. You can fly out as early as May 28 evening.

Will transportation be provided for non-program activities?
No. Students will be responsible for arranging their own local transportation, including from and to the airport. Information about safe and reliable transportation options will be available upon request.

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COSTS

How much does it cost to complete the course?
Students are responsible for the following program costs:
- $850 deposit* to be submitted with the program application. The deposit, less $100, is refundable until accommodations must be finalized (in mid-February). If an application is rejected, the entire deposit will be refunded. This deposit covers accommodations, all program-related local transportation and entrance fees, and a few group meals.
- $25 Study Abroad subscription fee (application software used by International Academic Programs).
- 3 hours’ tuition (consult UMKC website or talk to your Academic Advisor to find the exact amount).
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Cape Town (approx. $1,700 – $2,000 depending on the route and time of purchase).
- Meals in Cape Town (approx. $250).
- Miscellaneous expenses including local transportation costs not related to program activities and entry fees to cultural sites (approx. $100).
- Passport costs, if you do not have a passport already.
- University required HTH Health Insurance (approx. $50).

*Please note that the above are estimates and only for the duration of the program. Arriving early or departing late and participating in optional tourism and activities will increase the costs. Changes in currency exchange rates may also affect the actual amounts.

Can the deposit be paid in installments?
No. The deposit is due in full with the program application.

How much will the non-program tourism and activities cost?
It varies by the type and location. Please discuss your interests with Dr. Ahmed.