

International Capstone: Diabetes Awareness & Prevention among Mexico's Transnational Migrant Population

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Course Description:

The health of populations is shaped by both biological and social forces. In the southern state of Oaxaca, Mexico, migration, tourism, and emergency displacement, among other factors, shape an array of health challenges. Diabetes is one of the fastest growing and most significant of those health challenges. Students will travel to Oaxaca City to work with local organizations to assess the prevalence of diabetes and the associated risk factors involved, and will assist these organizations in developing strategies toward a coordinated awareness and prevention program.

While in Oaxaca, students will live with local families. Spanish proficiency is not required, and Spanish instruction while in Oaxaca is included in the program fee. In addition to classroom instruction, we will travel to a rural community for a weekend field study, visit the archaeological site of Monte Alban, and spend time exploring Oaxaca's rich cultural heritage.

► **Note: All participants will be required to participate in 3 pre-departure sessions held at PSU during summer term**

Costs:

- Round Trip travel to Oaxaca, Mexico
- 6 PSU credits
- Program fees of approx. \$1540 - \$1717, depending on number of participants (covers most meals, lodging, entrances/local fees, health insurance & transport in-country)

Information sessions:

Monday, April 9 1-2 PM Anthropology Department lounge, 141 Cramer Hall
Tuesday, April 10 12-1 PM Anthropology Department lounge, 141 Cramer Hall

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Priority Application Deadline: Friday, April 27, 2007