



Summer 2017 Women's Rights and Women's Empowerment Study Abroad: Brazil

In collaboration with Partners of America and in partnership with Professor Ana Paula Costa at the Universidade Federal Do Rio Grande Do Sul, the first "Women's Rights and Women's Empowerment in the Western Hemisphere: A Global Perspective" will be offered for students to travel and research in Porto Alegre, Brazil from June 1 - June 10. Students will study the impact of international charters and diverse international efforts on the elimination of discrimination against women and girls, and the achievement of equality between women and men in the specific context Brazil across a broad range of areas, including education, health care, employment, child care, and government representation among others. This international conversation will be firmly grounded by the principle of gender equity as a human right, enshrined in the United Nations Charter and the International Bill of Human Rights. Beginning in February of 2017 students will attend a series of workshops throughout the spring semester focused on: understanding key international agreements and indicators on women's equality; pinning down their own area of interest for research; exploring the historical and cultural landscape of Brazil; making connections with our Brazilian cohort; and preparing for international travel. In Brazil students will have the opportunity to visit and enter conversation with women's rights groups, government officials, artists, educators, and medical professionals while also exploring the beauty and rich culture of Porto Alegre. Upon return, students will complete a research project that taps into their own interest on women's equality in Brazil to foster a continued conversation with our cohorts in Brazil and the Marian community.

Course Number to be announced (3 credit hours, no prerequisites)

Course Fee (Includes tuition, airfare, hotel, activities, transportation, travel insurance, and selected meals)
\$3,741

4 Significant Scholarships Available (will offset most costs)

Thanks to the financial support of Partners for America, we are excited to extend the opportunity to travel abroad to students who otherwise might see this experience beyond their financial means. We look forward to your application!



