**PROGRAM COST**
Program costs, including airfare, room and board, tours, ground and air transportation and program fees will be approximately $1,600-$1,800 per student (Tuition is paid separately) [Please see the Study Abroad Center website for an estimated budget sheet]

**FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS**

- **FINANCIAL AID**
  Please contact the UNI Financial Aid Office at 273-2700 regarding your eligibility for aid toward the cost of the program

- **SCHOLARSHIPS**
  The General Study Abroad Scholarship and a variety of external funding options are available to those who qualify. For more information, visit the UNI Study Abroad website: studyabroad.uni.edu

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**
1. Students are responsible for obtaining their own passports. All participants should have their passports in hand at the third pre-departure meeting.

2. Students must go to the Study Abroad Center to obtain an ISIC card that provides repatriation insurance in the case of health issues or death.

3. Participants must make arrangements with their insurance providers to have overseas medical and accident insurance

4. Participants must make an appointment at the Student UNI Health Clinic, Covenant’s Occupational Health Service, or other medical health care professional to receive all immunizations needed to travel in Guatemala.

**UNI STUDY ABROAD**

**ELIGIBILITY**
Applicants must be GRADUATE students (Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, and Education) at UNI at the time of application, have departmental approval for participation, and have an overall G.P.A. of 3.0

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**
A complete application will include the following:
- UNI Study Abroad Online Application
- $65 application fee
- Copy of passport
- Health Insurance Verification Letter

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:** Contact Office of International Programs
28 Gilchrist Hall Phone: (319) 273-6807
Summer Program: May 15-26, 2015
The group will be capped at 12-13.

**COURSE LEADER CONTACT INFORMATION**
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Guatemala is a country located in Central America. The term Guatemala means “land of trees,” which is fitting for its mountainous and forested terrain. One thousand years ago, Guatemala is where the Mayan Civilization flourished, leaving many ruins which are still there today. Guatemala is the home of Lake Atitlán, which is the deepest lake in Central America as well as home to many Mayan people. It is said to be one of the most beautiful lakes in the world. Located on the northeast shore of Lake Atitlán is the town of Panajachel, which is in the Guatemalan highlands. The city of Antigua is located in the central highlands and is well known for its well-preserved Spanish Baroque remains as well as the remains of many colonial churches.

Also, COUN 6256 allows participants to experience the historical and original capital of Guatemala, Antigua city. Antigua is the perfect blend of the Spanish-European influence with the indigenous customs. Students will have the opportunity to learn basic Spanish concepts from a cultural and psychological standpoint to be applied during some immersion exercises as well as International Service Learning activities in the form of workshops for local students, teachers, and human service providers.

Course Goals

1. Encourage the respect toward others who differ in ethnicity, religion, race, political views, beliefs, ideology, and worldviews.

2. Encourage self-exploration and challenge one’s cultural filters in an international context.

3. Demonstrate a general command of multiple approaches and ways to assist a diverse clientele.

Example Itinerary

Day 1: Travel to Panajachel
Day 2: Boat ride to Atitlán
Day 3: Boat ride to San Lucas Toliman
Day 4: Boat ride to Santa Cruz and Jaibalito
Day 5: Tour Atitlán Nature Reserve
Day 6: Tour Panajachel & Boat Ride to Marcos & San Pedro
Day 7: Service Learning
Day 8: Service Learning
Day 9: Travel to Antigua City
Day 10: Leisure in Antigua
Day 11: Leisure in Antigua
Day 12: Travel to United States