

COR 275: JAMAICA

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Spend time in Montego Bay, Negril, Black River, Port Austin, Kingston, Mandeville and Ocho Rios. Visit many agencies and interact with local experts to better understand the current culture of Jamaican life. Explore how agriculture, slave trade and tourism have shaped this lovely tropical island and its friendly people.

Learning-intensive activities may include:

KINGSTON Visit the USIS, U.S. Embassy, Peace Corps, Jamaica Broadcast Corporation, The Salvation Army, Jamaican Parliament and the Ministry of Tourism. Explore the economic job market. See the University of the West Indies, the largest university in the Caribbean region. Explore historic Fort Charles, the actual home of the pirates of the Caribbean. Visit the Bob Marley Museum and tour his house and studio. Attend a play at the Ward Theatre. Enjoy the art gallery and museums of Kingston. Enjoy a walking tour of Hope Gardens and Zoo. Tour the Arawak Museum in Spanish Town. (Kingston visit subject to political realities at the time.)

NEGRIL Visit this tourist area, popular with Europeans and controlled by Jamaicans. Meet with faculty, staff and students at Caribbean Wesleyan College.

ACCOMPONG Witness the Maroons pay homage to their ancestors in a celebration held to commemorate the birthday of the great Maroon Warrior Captain Cudjoe. Cudjoe defeated the British army and later signed the Peace Treaty with the British, giving the Maroon people land and their freedom.

OCHO RIOS Hike the beautiful Shaw Gardens and visit Wassai Art Gallery, where local potters and artists create Jamaican pottery and art. Prowl through the Green Grotto Caves and find out why they are historically significant. Hike the gorgeous Dunn's River Falls.

No cost* for those with full CCS benefit
\$1,400* for those with half CCS benefit
\$2,800* for those with no CCS benefit

MONTEGO BAY AREA Tour a plantation house. Visit the Free Zone factories and talk with managers to see how the local economy is impacted. Visit the "Mo Bay" hospital, and worship at St. James parish church where unique musical instruments, the antique pipe organ and the steel drum ensemble are combined in lively worship.

MANDEVILLE Tour Marshall Pen Great House and gain a British perspective on island life. Visit the Mandeville schools and the SWA Craft Centre, where underprivileged women are given an economic jump start.

BLACK RIVER Take a boat ride up the Black River, looking for alligators in the Great Morass. Practice your bartering skills at the local market, and get a taste of life in rural Jamaica.

BLUE MOUNTAINS Explore the Blue Mountains while staying in cabins at the Holywell National Park. Discover the lush beauty of Jamaica's coffee country by walking the trails in the national park, learning about the mountain plants and animals. Have an unforgettable coffee experience when coffee is roasted over an open fire and then enjoyed around a campfire in the evening.

DEPARTURE DATES January 2020 experiences may begin sometime during the last week of December 2019 and last 19-23 days. Students should not make irreversible plans until their departure date is confirmed by the CCS office in early Fall 2019.

This experience, like all CCS experiences, is subject to political and safety realities at the time of departure. CCS options can be physically and emotionally intense and stretching. Before enrolling, all participants should consult the disclosures on physical hardships of CCS.

Passport and immunizations required (both at additional cost).



"I have never met people who enjoy life in such simple means. The people in Jamaica are an inspiration to me because even though they are a third world country, they smile and are happier than us better off individuals! God shows up in such a strong way. With nothing, God gives them all they need."

Austin Hundley

"Jamaica was the best trip I could have ever possibly gone on. The country and people are beautiful. The culture is completely different there and has a lot of soul and fire in it. It opened my mind and heart to new things that I didn't think were possible. It pushed me to new limits: mentally, physically but mostly spiritually. I was blessed to have an amazing group and would do it all over again in a heartbeat. Ya Mon"

Michael Caccavo

"One cannot fathom the amount of knowledge that is gained by spending only three weeks in another culture. This trip has really made me realize all the blessings God has bestowed upon me."

Brad Roth

*CCS program costs do not include: tuition, passport, immunizations, or the \$150 study abroad fee. The study abroad fee provides an international ID, insurance, travel photos and support services.