

**Caribbean Regional Development: The Dominican Republic Experience**

Study Abroad Program, Michigan State University  
In collaboration with PUCMM, CIEE, and SAS, Dominican Republic

10 May 2009 – 6 June 2009

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**WEEK 1**

**Sunday, May 10: Departure Detroit - Arrival Santo Domingo**

**Housing Hotel Europa, Santo Domingo**

<b>Monday, May 11</b>	<b>Orientation, 9:00AM (Lynne Guitar) Walking tour of Colonial Zone, 10:00AM – 12:00 Noon Lunch, bus tour of Santo Domingo, Noon – 5:00 PM</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 12</b>	<b>Guest Lecture 9:00 AM – 11:00AM (Lynne Guitar) “Dominican history and culture” 11:00AM – 1:00 PM Guest lecture continues</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 13</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM 2:30PM: Visit Museo del Hombre Dominicano, Botanical Garden</b>
<b>Thursday, May 14</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM 2:30PM: Visit Columbus lighthouse/museum, Los Tres Ojos National Park</b>
<b>Friday, May 15</b>	<b>7:30AM. Field Excursion Cibao Region- North Coast. Visits to Pontifica Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, Centro Cultural León Jiménez, Puerto Plata, Sosúa, Cabarete, Overnight at Puerto Plata</b>
<b>Saturday, May 16</b>	<b>Continuation of north coast excursion, overnight at Puerto Plata</b>
<b>Sunday, May 17</b>	<b>Return to Santo Domingo</b>

**NOTE: Classes at conference room of Hotel Europa. Depending on circumstances, locations and program activities may change. Breakfast included at hotel.**

**WEEK 2**

<b>Monday, May 18</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00Pm 9:00AM – 11:00PM Classes: 11:00AM – 1:00 PM</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 19</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM “Tourism in the DR” (DR speaker, Alejandro Herrera), 11:00 AM Afternoon: Briefing, U.S. Embassy, 3:00PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 20</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM Visit Secretaria de Turismo, 9:00 – 10:30AM Optional: Afternoon community service, teach English , San Lazaro School, Colonial Zone 3:30 pm to 4:30</b>
<b>Thursday, May 21</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM</b>
<b>Friday, May 22</b>	<b>7:30AM. Field Excursion Northeastern Region, Samana Bay, waterfalls (Salto del Limón), Mercado y Martha, descendants of slave colony USA 1820, overnight at Bahia de Samana</b>
<b>Saturday, May 23</b>	<b>Field Excursion (continued) National Park Los Haitises, overnight at Bahia de Samana</b>
<b>Sunday, May 24</b>	<b>Return to Santo Domingo</b>

**WEEK 3**

<b>Monday, May 25</b>	<b>Guest lecture: 9:00AM – 11:00PM</b> <b>Classes: 11:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>2:30 PM: Visit maquila plant, Free Trade Zone</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 26</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>“Economic Development in the DR” (guest speaker USAID), 11:00AM</b> <b>2:30 PM: Visit rum factory, other industries</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 27</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>Optional: Afternoon community service, teach English ,</b> <b>San Lazaro School, Colonial Zone 3:30 pm to 4:30</b>
<b>Thursday, May 28</b>	<b>Excursion to interior, Cotui</b> <b>Daytrip to smaller town with visits to surrounding agroindustries and a school</b>
<b>Friday, May 29</b>	<b>7:30AM. Excursion East coast DR, “Parque Nacional del Este,” overnight at Punta Cana</b>
<b>Saturday, May 30</b>	<b>Visit Isla Samoa, AM. Overnight at Punta Cana</b>
<b>Sunday May 31</b>	<b>Return to Santo Domingo, stops at Altos de Chavón, Casa de Campo, La Romana.</b>

**WEEK 4**

<b>Monday, June 1</b>	<b>Guest lecture: 9:00AM – 11:00PM</b> <b>“Health and Development in the DR” (Dr. Shakil Khan, Partners of America)</b> <b>Classes: 11:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>2:30 PM: Visit Cerveceria Presidente (National Beer Presidente)</b>
<b>Tuesday, June 2</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 3</b>	<b>Classes: 9:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>Optional: Afternoon community service, teach English ,</b> <b>San Lazaro School, Colonial Zone 3:30 pm to 4:30</b>
<b>Thursday, June 4</b>	<b>Classes: wrap up lecture, student presentations</b> <b>9:00AM – 1:00PM</b> <b>Hotel Dominican Bay</b>
<b>Friday, June 5</b>	<b>FINAL EXAM: 10:00AM – 12:00 Noon</b> <b>Farewell Reception, evening</b> <b>Hotel Dominican Bay</b>

**Saturday, June 6: Departure Santo Domingo - Arrival Detroit**