CU Study Abroad Program Payment Schedule for 2014

2014 Dates: June 10-July 14 (4 wk) or June 10- August 3 (best value as very close to same price).

This program is new to Clemson, but has run at UGA for the past 9 summers. Course offerings are PRTM 390 (3-6 credit hours) and/or ISSO 2100 (pending approval). Students are expected to earn 6 credits but can earn up to 9. Learn more on the shared website at UGA [www.russiacamps.uga.edu](http://www.russiacamps.uga.edu)

You can make this happen! This program is one of the most reasonably priced study abroad programs due to the service learning aspect. You are earning your room and board by your work at camp. Unlike some programs, this program INCLUDES your international airfare. In addition to the program fee, you need to pay for your domestic travel to NY, vaccinations, about eight meals, FBI criminal background check (~$40), gifts for camp directors & Russian friends (~$50)…but just about everything else is included!

Past students have been creative in how they finance the experience: 1) Started making small monthly payments right away…it adds up quickly! 2) Asked friends and family to contribute to the trip by giving you money instead of gifts this year. They can make checks out to CU. 3) Picked up a part-time job to earn extra money….cut down on meals out to save money. 4) Thought of someone in their family who would want them to have this experience and approached them about a loan…outline the reasons for wanting to gain this experience, how you will benefit, how much you can afford to pay from your own money, and your plan for re-payment. 5) Talked to your local civic organizations (Rotary/Kiwanis/Pilot/etc.)…they often support student international travel if you offer to come back and do a presentation about what you learned. 6) Explored scholarship opportunities….there are many sources for money, but you need to do the research to see which ones you are eligible for and don’t miss the deadlines. Start now!

There are three different types of payments that students who are accepted into the program will have to make:

1) **Tuition** for 6-9 credit hours (see [http://www.clemson.edu/cfo/student-financials/ tuition-fees/](http://www.clemson.edu/cfo/student-financials/tuition-fees/) for more information on credit hour costs, though note that final summer tuition rates are not set until late April of each year and so tuition rates quoted earlier may be subject to change). Out-of-state students pay in-state tuition rates for Study Abroad.

2) **Mandatory CU fees** (at present these are institutional fees of about $50 [NOTE: these are subject to change, depending upon CU policy]).

3) **Program Fee**: $2800 (for the short or long program…only difference in cost is insurance!)

   - Application fee of $100 to CCUSA (refundable only if not accepted in program) and $500 deposit to CU ($35 is non-refundable if not accepted or withdraws before March 1st) deposits due with application.
   - Next payment due after program acceptance $800
   - Balance due in three installments by March 15, April 1, and May 10.

   INCLUDES international airfare, all room and board, (except 7-8 meals), insurance, Russian train fare.

**How do I apply?** Because we will work with children, there is a two-step process. First, complete the CU Study Abroad application and pay the $500 deposit. Second, contract Dr. Powell to schedule an interview and to complete the CCUSA application, then bring it with passport photos, references, and $100 check made out to CCUSA.

**I want to stay longer, does it cost more?** The price difference is about $85 for insurance…the overall fee is the same! Ask Dr. Powell for more details about how to stay until August 3rdth for basically the same price!

**Program Cancellation:** If the program is cancelled due to insufficient student enrollment, then a full refund of monies paid will be given to each student. If the program is cancelled due to an act of war or terrorism, a State Department warning or other circumstances that make the program location unsafe, all CU monies not already spent on behalf of the student will be refunded to each student, CCUSA according to CCUSA program agreement.

**Requests for Refunds**
All requests for refunds should be made in writing to the program director:
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