



2010 JANUARY TERM ABROAD

Indian Art and Music

December 29, 2009 – January 23, 2010

Itinerary

Orientation at University of St. Thomas	11/21	Chennai Arrival	01/07
Twin Cities/Chicago Departure	12/29	Chennai/Mahabalipuram	01/10
Chennai Arrival	12/30	Mahabalipuram/Chennai	01/13
Chennai Departure	01/03	Chennai/Aurangabad	01/16
Thanjavur Arrival	01/04	Aurangabad/Delhi	01/18
Thanjavur Departure	01/06	Delhi/Chicago/Twin Cities	01/23

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Price: \$5,845*

Indian Art and Music is an interdisciplinary study of India's art, architecture, and music in their religious, classical, folk, and popular contexts. Madras Christian College, our host in Chennai, provides lectures and "hands-on" sessions with renowned Indian scholars, artists, and musicians. Topics include Indian music, art, architecture, dance, religion, history, and society, and students will make music, participate in traditional art forms, practice yoga, attend a Bollywood blockbuster, and enjoy India's vegetarian-friendly cuisine. We will go to concerts and festivals featuring India's finest musicians, joining 1,000 musicians at Tiruvaiyaru's famous Tyagaraja festival. Other visits include Thanjavur's historic temple complex, museums filled with iconic Chola bronze statues, Mahabalipuram's Dance Festival, a beach resort, an artists' colony, a rural village, and historic churches, temples, and mosques, ancient and modern. Service-learning opportunities include helping plan a new recording studio at MCC and creating video documentation and a website for a foundation that teaches music to poor children in Tiruvaiyaru. In Aurangabad we will see Hindu, Jain and Buddhist art at the spectacular Ajanta and Ellora cave temples. In Delhi we will study north Indian art and music and the history of India from their ancient roots to the contemporary moment. We will visit the National Museum, the National Gallery of Modern Art, India's oldest mosque, India Gate, a classical concert, and the Gandhi Smriti Museum (the site of Gandhi's assassination), with a trip to the Taj Mahal as a special highlight. These activities offer rich, profound experiences of India's art and music and the contexts in which they grew and still flourish. This is a true third-world immersion experience that seeks to provide an authentic Indian experience. Student accommodations will be safe but often simple, and we cannot always guarantee access to hot showers, western style toilets, or toilet paper.

Comprehensive Fee Includes: Transportation and course arrangements as indicated, accommodations in twin and triple and

multi-bedded rooms, three meals daily, 4-5 cultural performances TBD and visa fees for U.S. citizens. (subject to change)

Prerequisites: The course does not have any academic prerequisites but there will be long hikes so students must be in good physical condition..

Required Readings: Viswanathan, Tanjore and Matthew Harp Allen. *Music in South India* (with accompanying CD).

Harle, J.C. *The Art and Architecture of the Indian Subcontinent*, 2nd edition.

In addition, students are to read at least one of the books from a list provided by the instructors.

Evaluation:=

Attendance	20%
Participation	20%
Readings	20%
Journal	20%
Paper	20%

***Each home institution may have supplementary fees in addition to the price listed.**

The Faculty Directors cannot guarantee that special dietary needs can always be accommodated. Students with such needs are encouraged to contact the Faculty Directors with any questions prior to registering for the course.

Entry Requirements: A visa is required for travel in India. One copy of a drivers license or state ID and two passport quality photos will be required.

<http://www.elmhurst.edu/~markh/India2010/>

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Dr. Harbold is professor of music at Elmhurst College with years of experience teaching music history, theory, and composition. He has traveled to India annually since 2005. He led the 2007 UMAIE course, "Music, Religions, and Culture of India," participated in the NEH 2008 summer institute, "Bharata Darshan," and served as visiting professor at Madras Christian College in 2009.



Prof. Hill, associate professor of art at Elmhurst College, is an artist who teaches digital media courses at all levels. Since 2007, she has traveled to India three times, accompanying the "Music, Religion and Culture" course and with an international faculty seminar. Her most recent trip resulted in two photo-essays related to social justice issues. Her work has been exhibited internationally.





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RULES AND PROCEDURES

For the forty-fifth consecutive year, UMAIE offers unique opportunities for cross-cultural study during January Term and starting in 2005, May/June Term. UMAIE, a consortium of five colleges and universities, cooperates to provide the educational depth and resources necessary for an intercultural curriculum.

This year UMAIE offers courses in many locations around the world including: The Americas (North, Central and South), Antarctica, Australia, Egypt, Europe (Western, Central, Eastern, Northern and Southern), Hawaii, India, Jordan, New Zealand, Russia, Thailand and Turkey.

APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS — Applications and required documents are available via the UMAIE website (www.umaie.org). Applications are accepted between **April 15 - October 2, 2009**. When applying for a course, please submit the following to your campus UMAIE Board Member:

- Three copies of your completed application.
- One copy of your valid passport photo & signature page OR if you do not have a passport, a copy of your passport application. (Actual submittal of your passport application to a passport agency is not required until acceptance into a course. Please visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport>.)
- One copy of your January Term Abroad Agreement.
- One copy of your unofficial transcript.
- One deposit check in the amount of **\$400** made payable to **Seminars International, Inc.** (All checks will be cashed upon receipt. Returned checks will be assessed a service charge of **\$50**.)

***UST students please see your study abroad website (www.stthomas.edu/studyabroad) for application procedures.**

No application will be considered without **ALL** the required signed documents, copies and deposit as listed above. If you have any questions please contact your campus UMAIE Board Member.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS — Faculty Directors will screen each application to ensure all prerequisites are met, and that equal access is given to students from all consortium schools. **For applications received by April 15th, the UMAIE Secretariat will notify each participant via e-mail by May 8, 2009, to inform if applicant is: 1) accepted into the course; 2) on a waiting list; 3) not accepted into the course.** Please be aware that if you are placed on a waiting list, your deposit check will still be cashed upon receipt. In the event a course is filled or cancelled due to low enrollment, students are contacted regarding a second choice. Students who choose not to transfer to another course will receive a full refund. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED ONLY ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS AND LATE FEES WILL LIKELY BE APPLIED.**

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND IMMUNIZATIONS — All applicants must send a copy of a valid and signed passport to their campus UMAIE Board Member upon acceptance into a UMAIE course (if one was not turned in with application). This is not required for students travelling to Hawaii. **Passports must be valid at least six (6) months beyond your return date.**

If your course requires a visa it will be stated in the course description. A country specific visa application will be sent to you 1-2 months prior to departure.

Information regarding recommended and/or needed immunizations can be found at the CDC website: www.cdc.gov/travel/. If you are traveling to a destination that requires an immunization, the UMAIE Secretariat will inform you in a timely manner. Additional information regarding passports, visas and immunizations is available from your campus UMAIE Board Member.

COMPREHENSIVE FEE — Costs listed are based on planned enrollments for each course. Every effort is made to operate the program at the stated price. However, if fewer students enroll, costs may be increased or the course cancelled. **NOTE:** UMAIE reserves the right to adjust fees due to dollar devaluation, fuel surcharges and general inflation.

The comprehensive fee includes round-trip air transportation from Minneapolis-St. Paul to the course location; airport transfers; visas (where required for U.S. citizens who meet the visa application deadline and have the correct accompanying documentation); transportation to most course activities while abroad; lodging, primarily in twin or triple rooms in hotels, pensions, university dormitories, or family homes (where indicated); continental breakfast daily (exceptions noted on individual course descriptions) and other meals as indicated; tickets for required cultural performances; planned excursions; and administrative costs (however, individual institutions may assess additional charges). When rail passes or entrance fees are included, they are based on the utilization of youth rates (25 years or under). Any additional amount incurred will be the participant's responsibility.

EXCLUSIONS — Expenses and items not specifically mentioned herein are not covered, including but not limited to: passport fees; airline checked and/or excess luggage fees; local subway, bus and tram fares (if not included in course price); departure taxes (except U.S.); optional entertainment and excursions; beverages; individual room service charges; travel insurance; porter's fees; laundry and cleaning; telephone and fax; personal gratuities; transportation to and from point of course departure.

FINAL PAYMENT — Accepted applicants are notified of the final price during the last week of October. Students at Gustavus Adolphus College will bring their final payment to their International Education Office on or before Tuesday, November 3. Students from Elmhurst College will bring their final payment to their Student Accounts Office before Tuesday, November 3. Students from all other institutions will have their fees billed to their student account.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS

- No cancellation fee for students withdrawing on or before **September 14, 2009**.
- A **\$100** cancellation fee is withheld for students who withdraw between **September 15 and October 2, 2009**.
- Beginning **October 3, 2009** the course deposit of **\$400** is non-refundable.
- A refund for cancellations occurring after **November 3, 2009** is based upon recoverable costs. The **ENTIRE COURSE COST** may be forfeited.
- **If cancellation occurs 30 days or less prior to departure, there will be no refund. Trip cancellation insurance is recommended for students with pre-existing medical conditions.** This insurance must be purchased at the time of registration. Please discuss this with your UMAIE Campus Board Member.
- If a course price increases by more than 6% (due to general inflation or lower enrollment) a student may cancel without penalty.
- No refund is given to students who wish to omit portions of the course.
- **NOTICE OF CANCELLATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO YOUR CAMPUS UMAIE BOARD MEMBER.**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS — are secured by Seminars International, Inc., 33 West Monroe Street, Suite 1160, Chicago, IL 60603-5303, (800) 541-7506, TRAVEL@semint.com. Applications are processed by the Minnesota office, 21530 Vernon Avenue, Prior Lake, MN 55372, (952) 440-1338, kathy@semint.com. Participants desiring additional information may contact Seminars International Inc., or visit their website - www.semint.com.

ORIENTATION SESSION—Will be held **Saturday, November 21, 2009** at the University of St. Thomas. **ALL MUST ATTEND.**

DEVIATIONS — Course prices are based on group air arrangements and the air carrier may assess a service fee. Not all airlines allow deviations on group reservations. In addition to the airline service fee(s), an additional fee must be paid to Seminars International, Inc. as follows: before **October 2, 2009 the charge is \$75; from October 3, 2009 until November 3, 2009 the charge is \$125. After November 3, 2009, no deviations will be accepted.** Deviation requests must be made in writing to the Chicago Seminars International office via fax (312) 332-5509 or email TRAVEL@semint.com. Once the deviation has been booked, any changes may incur additional costs. Students who deviate are responsible for providing their own transportation to or from the actual course location abroad. **Faculty Directors are not expected to provide assistance. Students from Augustana College and Elmhurst College will receive further information on course flights upon acceptance.**

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