

**Travel Study Trip
Washington DC
March 8-12, 2010**

Course Description

HIST 492 – Washington DC – The History, Politics, and Culture the Shaped Our Nation
3 credit hours

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From its humble beginnings during the Revolutionary War to the major tourist attraction it is today, Washington DC serves as a symbol of freedom for millions of Americans. This course will explore the history of this great American city while examining the political and cultural movements it has undergone over the past three centuries. Class activities will include visits to the White House, Congress and the Supreme Court, giving students an inside look at the inner workings of politics today; viewing the most important document in American history – the Declaration of Independence at the National Archives; tours of various Smithsonian Museums to discover the artifacts, stories, and people who helped build this city and our nation; and cultural events that can only be experienced in Washington DC.

Planned Activities

- Bus tour of Washington DC at night
- Tour of the White House
- Tour of Congress
- Tour of the Supreme Court
- Tour of the National Archives
- Walking Tour exploring Washington DC from the Civil War to Civil Rights
- Visits to select Smithsonian Museums
- Day trip to Mount Vernon – President Washington’s Home

In addition to the planned group activities, several optional activities will be planned for the evenings. Students are welcome to participate, but are not required to as part of the course. These optional activities are not included in the program fees.

Program Costs *

In addition to the cost of tuition and fees, students are responsible for a \$195 program fee, hotel costs, transportation costs to and from Washington DC, some meals, and personal/incidental costs.

- Program Fee of \$195 includes:
 - DC After Dark Tour
 - 1 Group Dinner
 - Admission to Mount Vernon and presentation
 - 1 Group Lunch at Mount Vernon
 - Metro Card

- Student Insurance
- Class Activities
- Hotel Information
 - Hotel reservations will be made by Purdue University North Central. Students have a choice of single, double, triple, or quad occupancy. The table below shows the cost per student depending on the room choice. The hotel fee is payable to the Office of Continuing Education no later than January 31, 2010 and is only refundable if Purdue University North Central chooses to cancel the course. If you have a preferred roommate please indicate that at time of enrollment.

Hotel Room	<i>required</i>	<i>optional</i>
	4 Nights (pp)	5 Nights (pp)
Single	\$456	\$570
Double	\$250	\$312.50
Triple	\$175	\$218.50
Quad	\$142	\$177.50

Registration Information

- A \$150 non-refundable deposit (unless the course is cancelled by PNC) is required by December 1, 2009. This deposit will be credited towards the cost of the trip.
- Balance of the program fee is due by January 15, 2010.
- Hotel cost is due by January 31, 2010.
- At time of registration at the Office of Continuing Education please indicate you hotel room preference (single, double, triple, or quad occupancy) and the name(s) of desired roommates. If you do not select a roommate you will be assigned one at random and PNC cannot guarantee your desired hotel room preference.

What to Bring:

In addition to the usual personal items, the following checklist includes items that may be useful.

- _____ Long pants, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts, socks, clothes for layering as the weather can be unpredictable.
- _____ Sturdy shoes for walking
- _____ Binoculars
- _____ Camera
- _____ Day pack
- _____ Rain gear in case of inclement weather