

# Rutgers in Perú

## July 6 - August 11, 2017



### *Destination: Extraordinary*

Are you a college student interested in meeting new people, improving your Spanish, and learning about other cultures in a fun and exciting way? If you are a student who has completed the equivalent of at least one year of college-level Spanish and are at least 18 years of age, we invite you to join the hundreds of people like yourself who have immersed themselves in the language and culture of Perú. Don't just study the language – live the adventure.

#### General Information:

For four weeks in July and August students will attend classes at the Academia Latinoamericana de Español in Cusco, ancient capital of the Incan Empire. Language and culture classes are offered at various levels of difficulty and are designed to challenge students of all abilities. After several days of acclimation at a hostel, students will stay with local families. Not only will the families provide meals but also important opportunities to practice Spanish and learn customs.

#### Will I Get to Travel?

Absolutely. There is no better way to get to know the culture of Perú than by visiting those places that make Perú famous and by experiencing its history first-hand. The program consists of a four-week period of study in the imperial and colonial city of Cusco, including weekend cultural excursions to Machu-Picchu, the Sacred Valley of the Incas, Lake Titikaka and a special celebration in Paucartambo. Additionally, free time one weekend will allow for personal exploration of the Andes. A course on Peruvian culture will help you appreciate the sights and the cultural activities that you experience during your travels.

#### The Faculty and Staff:

The program director is Stephen Bishop, a Rutgers University Spanish instructor who has taught Spanish here for many years and has directed the Perú program for the seven years. He will be accompanied by an Assistant Director from the Rutgers Spanish Department graduate program. Classes will be taught by the faculty of the Academia Latinoamericana de Español.

#### Do the Courses I take Count for Credit?

YES! Up to **nine credits** in total. Depending on your knowledge of Spanish, you can choose from a range of language and culture courses (your level will be determined on the basis of a placement test given in Cusco and your priority study of Spanish before arriving), which will count for six credits toward the Spanish Major or Minor. Additionally, every student will complete 40 hours of community service learning. This component will count for 1 credit. An independent study can provide

two credits more. You will register for these classes before we leave for Perú. Grades, in accordance with the Rutgers University system, will be based on examination, class performance, participation in group cultural activities, and written assignments. Students will receive a regular Rutgers Summer Session grade report and transcripts will be available upon request from the Registrar.

Students who prefer may take fewer Spanish classes and do more community service learning hours. Though these will not allow for more than 1 credit, the extra hours of service are invaluable, especially for those in pre-medicine, nursing, pharmacy and social work.

### **How much does it cost?**

\$6,200 for undergraduate New Jersey residents and \$6,600 for undergraduate non-New Jersey residents.

. (\*program costs dependent on exchange rate.) **INCLUDED:** All lodging (lodging with families includes full board), tuition, group excursions, and limited health insurance (with a small deductible) are included in the total. Rutgers University students eligible for financial aid may be able to apply it towards the cost of the program. For more information contact the New Brunswick Office of Financial Aid, 848-932-7057 or go to <http://studentaid.rutgers.edu/abroad>

**NOT INCLUDED:** Personal expenses, airfare to and from Perú, and insurance on personal property are excluded from the total. While traveling around Perú, breakfasts and several group meals will be covered. While staying in homes, all meals are included. Students should carry an amount of approximately \$300 more for other meals and personal items. Although airfare is NOT included in the program costs WE HAVE RESERVED 25 AIR TICKETS FOR YOU AT A SPECIAL GROUP RATE THROUGH KULLER/CLASS A TRAVEL. ONCE ACCEPTED TO THE PROGRAM, PLEASE CONTACT LAURIE OR TRUDY AT 609-924-2550 or via email at [laurie.kuller@verizon.net](mailto:laurie.kuller@verizon.net) or [kuller.travel@verizon.net](mailto:kuller.travel@verizon.net) to let them know you are a part of the Rutgers in Perú group by **April 5th**, and they will help you with your flight arrangements. **PAYMENT IS DUE ON APRIL 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. You may choose to travel alone and lower fares can be found on the internet. If you do so, your responsibility is to be in Cusco for the first day of classes (July 10<sup>th</sup>). **How do I apply to the program?**

Contact the Rutgers Study Abroad website: <http://studyabroad.rutgers.edu/index> and click on "Summer in Peru"

For additional information you may also contact:

Program Administrator: Rosy Ruiz, e-mail: [rosy@rutgers.edu](mailto:rosy@rutgers.edu) Phone: 848-932-9413 or  
Program Director: Stephen Bishop, e-mail: [sbishop@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:sbishop@rci.rutgers.edu)

### **When is the deadline for application?**

**No later than Wednesday, March 1, 2017.** The program has a rolling admission application process. Applicants will be immediately notified of acceptance into this program and be able to complete post-decision materials prior to the term's application deadline. Schedule of Payments **\$2,000 payable upon receiving the letter of acceptance**, the balance is due no later than **May 7, 2017** usually the first group meeting. Any student receiving financial aid must make a **deposit of \$600** to hold a spot.

### **Refunds**

If withdrawal is on or before April 5, 2017 the Department, will keep \$600 from payments made by student. If withdrawal is after April 5, 2017 but on or before May 31, 2017, the Dept. will keep \$2,000 from payments made by student. \$500 will be refunded to any student who cancels between July 1, 2017 and departure date! The cancellation **MUST** be done in writing.

**Please note: Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, reserves the right to make any changes to the program,**