



Special Topic: Community and Society in Contemporary Cuba

Foods & Nutrition 4480G / Family Studies 3350B
/ Sociology 3385G

OVERVIEW

BRESCIA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE will this winter offer students the opportunity to complete a half-credit experiential learning course combining classroom learning with personal observation. Through lectures on-campus at Brescia, and site visits and other activities in Cuba, students will be introduced to issues in contemporary Cuban society. Travelling to Cuba will enable students to experience first hand the culture, social structure and history of the largest island in the West Indies.

THE COURSE

Students enroll in one of the following courses for the 2016-2017 Academic Year:

- Foods & Nutrition 4480G (530) - Class Number 19763
- Family Studies 3350B (530) - Class Number 19764
- Sociology 3385G (531) - Class Number 19772

Students will be engaged in seminars and lectures throughout the Winter term and will travel with Brescia Faculty and Staff to Cuba in February for a 11-day experiential-learning experience.

EXAMPLES OF CUBA SITE VISITS
INCLUDE:

- UNIVERSITY OF HAVANA
- OLD HAVANA; UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE
- A CUBAN PRIMARY SCHOOL
- LEONOR PEREZ MATERNAL HOME
- CUBAN-PESO FOOD MARKET
- LAS TERRAZAS NATURE RESERVE



ENROLL NOW!

Enroll with your other 2016 Fall/Winter courses on your Student Centre <https://student.uwo.ca>

For inquiries about the course, contact Dr. Donna Rogers at donna.rogers@uwo.ca or Jennifer Coghlin at jennifer.coghlin@uwo.ca

Relevant Dates (excursion dates are tentative)

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| January 10-April 4, 2017 | Course instruction; Tuesdays 6:30-9:30pm in BR-14 |
| February 20-24, 2017 | Conference Week (no classes) |
| February 16, 2017 | Group travel to Havana, Cuba |
| February 17-25, 2017 | Cuba experiential learning excursions |
| February 26, 2017 | Group travel to London, Ontario |

Course Description

Community and Society in Contemporary Cuba is a 0.5-credit course. Regular classes will be held at Brescia in the Winter term 2017, with an intensive 11-day study tour in Havana, Cuba in February. During classes at Brescia and through seminars, lectures, site visits and other activities in Cuba, students will be introduced to issues in contemporary Cuban society—particularly community organizations, education, the family, food and agriculture, medical internationalism, Cuban political history and Cuba's international relations—and the reality of everyday life for average Cubans.

Excursion Costs

The following are estimated costs for 2017 excursion to Cuba:

Cuba Accommodations - \$800 CDN (single occupancy)

Health Insurance - \$125 CDN

Cuba Departure Fee - \$35 CDN

Meals in Cuba (lunch & dinner) - \$400 CDN

Cuban Site Visits - \$320 CDN

Flights (to and from Cuba) - \$1100 CDN return (includes transfers through Toronto)

TOTAL expected COST = \$2,780... COST to YOU = \$1,780*

* Each student enrolled in this course will automatically receive a \$1,000 travel stipend from Brescia (No Application Required).

BE International Program Fund

Students are invited to apply for additional funding through the BE International Program Fund. The BE International Program-Fund was established by generous donations from the BUCSC and Beyond the Classroom donors, to be used to assist students financially so that they may more easily access the BE International programs, including Cuba.

The funds will only be used for students registered at Brescia University College. The funds can be used for, but not limited to, flights, food, and/or course fees, etc. A single student will not be permitted to receive more than \$1,000 in any given year. Note, this is in addition to the \$1,000 automatic award associated with this specific course.

To be eligible, students must complete and submit an application form. The completed form will be due on December 15, 2016.

Please contact Jennifer Coghlin, jennifer.coghlin@uwo.ca for more information or to receive an application.

Note, this course has limited enrollment. Students will be placed on a waiting list in the event of over-enrollment.

BRESCIA AT A GLANCE

Brescia is Canada's women's university.

FOUNDED: 1919 by Ursuline Sisters of Chatham

LOCATED: London, Ontario, Canada

AFFILIATED: with Western University

DEGREES: granted by Western University

PROGRAMS: pre-university Preliminary Year; Brescia's Foundation Year program; Bachelor's degrees in Arts and Social Science, Management and Organizational Studies, Family Studies, Health Sciences and Kinesiology; Bachelor's and Master's of Science degrees in Foods and Nutrition with Specializations in Nutrition and Dietetics and Food Science and Technology.

STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO: 14:1

ENROLMENT: 1350 full-time students; 200 part-time

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS: begin at 80 percent admission average