

SCSU Office of International Education
Faculty-Led Program Abroad Winter Session Application

South Africa

January 1, 2025 – January 19, 2025

Please return this completed application to the Office of International Education at Southern CT State University, Engleman Hall Room A-220, 501 Crescent Street, New Haven, CT 06515 with your **\$2250.00 deposit** (payable online via TouchNet website referenced in the footer of the application) ***A deposit is NOT a guarantee of acceptance and non-refundable unless the application is rejected by the program Director. All decisions regarding admissions are made by the program Director.**

Essential Eligibility Criteria:

Participants must:

- Be 18 years of age or older or accompanied by an adult.
- Be able to comprehend and follow instructions.
- Be able to manage all personal care and mobility independently, or with the assistance of a companion who accompanies the participant.
- Be able to hike in and out of fieldwork sites (3 to 7 miles over rough terrain) independently.
- Be able to be outside for extended periods of time (up to 10h) in less than favorable weather conditions.
- Be able to sit in a moving vehicle for extended periods of time (up to 4h at a stretch and up to 8h on a given day).

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full legal name (**as it appears on your passport**):

_____ (first) (middle) (last)
DOB (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Current University: _____

Student ID Number: _____ Major(s)/Minor(s): _____

Are you a tuition waiver recipient? Yes No

Enrollment Status: Full-time Part-time Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate

Anticipated Date of Graduation (mm/yyyy): _____ Current GPA: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Permanent Address: _____

**Deposit must be made online in the Touch Net store at the following website:

https://secure.touchnet.net/C21400_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=231&SINGLESTORE=true staff would be happy to assist you with the online deposit (visit us in EN A - 220).

Courses previously taken in Geography (or complementary fields):

Course: _____ Grade: _____ Course: _____ Grade: _____

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Passport:

I have a valid U.S. Passport that will not expire before the trip ends. I have applied for a U.S. Passport.

I have a valid Passport from another country (specify _____).

REFERENCE

Please list one (1) reference whom the Program Director may contact. This person must be either a professor or previous or current employer.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone(s): _____ E-mail: _____

PROGRAM FEE INFORMATION

Program Fee: \$4275**

Deposit: \$2250**

Payment: \$2025**

Deadline to Apply: November 1

Due: with this application*

Due: December 1

Program Fee Includes:

- Airfare, transportation to and from airports, lodging, transportation in South Africa, two group lunches, two group dinners, and entrance fees to all museums and historical sites in the planned itinerary

Program Fee Does Not Include:

SCSU tuition and registration fee (\$2,085- 3 cr. for Undergraduate Students) (\$2,640- 3 cr. for Graduate Students), personal expenses, touring, books, laundry, snacks, medical & living expenses, additional expenses that alter the itinerary or arrangements.

Please Note: The program fee **includes** the cost of CISI insurance—a stand-alone insurance policy that provides comprehensive medical coverage internationally and meets the University's minimum requirements for emergency medical evacuation and repatriation coverage required for all students studying abroad. For more information about CISI insurance, please visit the Office of International Education or call (203) 392-6756 to schedule an appointment.

****A deposit is NOT a guarantee of acceptance. All decisions regarding admissions are made by the trip leader(s). Deposits will be refunded in full if the applicant is not admitted to the program. For information regarding financial aid, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at (203) 392-5222 or financialaid@southernct.edu.**

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STUDENT BUDGET

To ensure that you have thoroughly considered the financial obligations you will incur by registering for this course abroad, please complete the worksheet below:

Program Fee: \$ _____

Tuition & Fees: \$ _____ (NOT included in \$4275 Program Fee)

Personal Costs: \$ _____ (laundry, souvenirs, free time, etc.)

Total Costs: \$ _____

***Please note: Students participating in the 2024-25 South Africa Winter Session Program are required to enroll in 3 credits as directed by the program leader. Students must register for the courses via their MySCSU account and submit payments directly to Student Accounts. The OIE will not accept tuition payments.**

Total cost for the program: \$6,360.00 (including program fee and tuition costs) for Undergraduate Students.

Total cost for the program: \$6,915.00 (including program fee and tuition costs) for Graduate Students.

Please indicate how you plan to fund your course abroad experience given the costs listed above:

Personal Savings: \$ _____

Student Loan: \$ _____

Credit Card: \$ _____

Family Contribution: \$ _____

Other _____: \$ _____

Total Costs: \$ _____ (must be equal to or greater than the worksheet above)

ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By applying and accepting enrollment into a Winter Session Abroad Program, the student is responsible for paying SCSU tuition and fees for the amount of credits required by the program. Before attending this SCSU Winter Session Program, the student must pay SCSU for the amount of credits registered for. By signing, the student assumes responsibility for managing his or her finances to account for payment of tuition and fees in addition to the Program Fee (detailed in both the brochure and the application).

Signature: _____

Date: _____

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CANCELLATION POLICY

Currently, all programs abroad for the academic year are expected to operate. Southern Connecticut State University's Office of International Education (SCSU-OIE) will monitor world events and make any change to this decision on an individual course basis any time between now and the departure dates.

If Southern Connecticut State University cancels a program abroad, students will be refunded their deposits and all monies the university is *able* to recover from program providers. The SCSU-OIE office will make every effort to negotiate with providers for the refunds.

If a student withdraws from a program abroad at any time between now and the departure date, the student will forfeit his/her deposit but will be refunded all other recoverable amounts. In the event the price of the trip rises more than 20%, the student may withdraw and receive both recoverable funds and deposit.

Students who must cancel their participation in a course abroad program must do so in writing to Dr. Erin Heidkamp, Director of the Office of International Education.

The Office of International Education will work to delay payments to providers for programs abroad as long as possible and request clearly-stated refund policies from all providers for all programs prior to payment submission. Students who wish to purchase cancellation insurance should contact their insurance provider to inquire.

If Southern Connecticut State University cancels a program abroad, OIE staff will work with individual program abroad faculty members to adapt their course, when possible, for the Southern Connecticut State University campus. This is understood to be an emergency procedure in place as a result of unusual or unforeseen world events. If a program abroad cannot be adapted to the on-campus setting, the faculty member will work to develop an alternative on-campus course for the students enrolled. If this is not possible, efforts will be made to enroll students in existing on-campus courses.

I have read and understood the information provided to me above regarding Southern Connecticut State University's Office of International Education cancellation policy, program costs, and due dates.

Student Name (*print clearly*): _____ Student ID Number: _____

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

AGREEMENT: "I certify that the information submitted on this application is correct. I agree to be subject to the academic and financial policies of SCSU. I am in good academic and disciplinary standing at my home college/university and agree to notify SCSU if my status changes. I have read the SCSU South Africa Winter Session Program description and application, understand the policies therein, and realize that they are binding."

"I consent to allowing my photograph to be used in promotional material for the SCSU Winter Session Program in South Africa in the future."

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____