Application Deadline: January 31

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The advanced Swahili GPA 2020 in Tanzania is an intensive community-based Swahili language and culture program designed to enhance participants’ language proficiency and promote knowledge and understanding of East Africa in a global context through Swahili language immersion. The program is open to all students nationwide.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Participants will spend 8 weeks studying Swahili language and culture in Tanzania. Students will spend about three weeks in Kisiwani, a rural setting and 5 weeks in Dar es Salaam. Participants will also visit Zanzibar to learn more about coastal Swahili culture and Indian Ocean trade. Additionally, students will immerse themselves in the local culture through interaction with local people.

The Program

An Intensive Advanced Swahili Group Project Abroad (GPA) will take place in Tanzania in the summer of 2020. The program, which will be hosted by the University of Dar es Salaam, will include:

- Four to five hours of intensive daily Swahili language instruction and interactions
- Cultural activities
- Excursions to historical and cultural sites on weekends
- Homestay with a Swahili family for eight consecutive weeks

The Swahili GPA in Tanzania is part of the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program of the U.S. Department of Education and is coordinated by the Department of World Languages and Cultures in collaboration with the Center for African Studies at Howard University in Washington, DC.

Eligibility

A participant in the Swahili GPA program must:
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Have had at least three or four semesters of Swahili language instruction
- Have commitment to a career in African Studies

Program Administration: The program is administered by the Department of World Languages and Cultures in collaboration with Ralph Bunche Center, and the Center for African Studies at Howard University with onsite logistical support provided by the University of Dar-es-Salaam in Tanzania. The program will be led by Dr. Leonard Muaka, Associate Professor of Swahili and Linguistics, Department of World Languages and Cultures at Howard University. On-site coordination will be provided by the University of Dar es Salaam.
FULBRIGHT-HAYS GPA FOR INTENSIVE ADVANCED SWAHILI- SUMMER 2020 PROGRAM IN TANZANIA

FULBRIGHT HAYS GROUP PROJECT ABROAD FOR:

INTENSIVE ADVANCED KISWAHILI IN TANZANIA
MAY 31- JULY 25, 2020

INTENSIVE ADVANCED SWAHILI is sponsored by the federal government through the Fulbright Hays program of the Department of Education. It is a language intensive program that includes working with the community. The program offers 8 weeks of over 150 contact hours through intensive linguistic and cultural experience in Tanzania.

To apply, click on the link below:
cfas.howard.edu/apply/FSGPA

Program Cost:
The Fulbright-Hays Swahili GPA grant covers the following expenses:

- International travel to and from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania from Washington DC
- Overseas Tuition
- Accommodation and food for the duration of the program
- Program-related transportation in Tanzania
- Educational materials during the program

The grant does not cover:

- Program Fee of $1000 that covers administrative expenses in the United States
- Local travel from the participants’ homes to Washington DC airport and return after the program.
- Mandatory health insurance for the summer abroad in Tanzania
- Passport and visa fees
- Immunizations and other health-care expenses related to travel
- Travel done on the student’s own time and initiative in Tanzania
- Personal shopping and gifts

IMPORTANT DATES

January 31: Application deadline
February 28: Acceptance Notification
March 7: Pre-departure session 1
April 4: Pre-departure session 2
April 18: Pre-departure session 3
May 31: Departure for Tanzania
July 25: Return to the U.S.

PROGRAM DATES & LOCATIONS

The program will take place in Tanzania from May 31 to July 25, 2020. The program will last for eight weeks, with about three weeks in Kisiwani, a rural setting and five weeks in Dar es Salaam. Students will also visit Zanzibar during the Zanzibar Film Festival Week. Students will live with host families in Dar es salaam and in hotels when traveling.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAM FEE $1000

Take your payments to Program Director in Locke Hall 368. Checks should be made payable to Howard University and mailed to the address provided below:

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