



GONZAGA UNIVERSITY FACULTY-LED STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

Gonzaga-in-Monze

TEACHER EDUCATION IN ZAMBIA



Program Dates

Estimated dates for Summer Session 2012, mid-May to mid-June

Dates tentative depending upon flight availability

Program Highlights

- Earn 4 credits toward the teacher certification program
- A unique opportunity to work with and for the people of Zambia
- Create learning opportunities that are developmentally appropriate and specific to the needs of all learners in the classroom

Zambia

Zambia is a country in the southern part of Africa. It is home to beautiful landscapes, game reserves and Victoria Falls, which is one of the largest falls in the world.

Quiet beauty, bustle, abounding life and brimming joy characterize many aspects of music and dance and art in Zambia.

The Society of Jesus (Jesuits) has long engaged in International Ministry; in particular, the Oregon Province has had a long history of working in Zambia. The Jesuits own and run, in partnership with the local community, the Charles Lwanga College of Education, located in the southern part of Zambia. The College offers three diploma programs that train K-8 teachers in the traditions of the Catholic Church and Jesuit Pedagogy.

Some 95% of primary school age children are enrolled at schools with 20% continuing to secondary level and 2% of the 20 - 24 age group in tertiary level. Illiteracy is only 27% but the drop out rate at schools is very high. In rural areas, the standard of education is hampered by lack of facilities, transport and teachers.

“ I started this trip thinking we were going to change the world, one teacher at a time. I just never thought the ‘one teacher at a time’ would be the 9 of us! ”

- Adam Oakley, Summer 2011

Courses

Gonzaga University's Department of Teacher Education, in partnership with Charles Lwanga College, is offering a study abroad experience during the summer of 2012.

You can earn 4 credits toward the teacher certification program:

- **EDTE 231: ELEMENTARY PROGRAM** or **EDTE 418: SECONDARY PROGRAM** or **EDTE 633: MIT GRADUATE PROGRAM** and (each course is 3 credits)
- **Teacher certification field experience (1 credit)**

The experience will take place over the course of four weeks. Prior to the four week experience, you will participate in a number of pre-immersion seminars during the spring term of 2012. Three weeks will include coursework and fieldwork. Time at the end of the course is dedicated to touring areas of Zambia and enhancing your personal experience.

Course Goals & Objectives

- Learn about the culture of Zambia
- Interact with Zambian teachers, K-12 students, and pre-service teachers from the Charles Lwanga College of Education
- Create learning opportunities that are developmentally appropriate and specific to the needs of all learners in the classroom
- Develop content area instruction/assessment integrating language arts, music, and drama





Faculty Leader

Deborah Booth is an Associate Professor at Gonzaga University in the Department of Teacher Education where she specializes in literacy instruction/assessment with an emphasis on teaching the at-risk learner. Dr. Booth has thirty-six years teaching experience, ranging from elementary school to college graduate. These teaching experiences include rural and inner city schools in the United States as well as village schools in Africa.

Dr. Booth completed her Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. She served on advisory boards for the Office of the Superintendent from 1997 to 2000. Dr. Booth served as a member of the National Faculty and as a consultant for the National Urban Alliance, Columbia University. She has published and presented her research at the local, national, and international levels. Dr. Booth was an independent educational consultant in Canada and various states as well as on the Navajo reservation in Arizona and New Mexico.

The Program

Students will live, study, and work on the Charles Lwanga campus. Accommodations and meals will be simple fare. Fieldwork will include time teaching and/or observing in schools in the rural southern area of Zambia, as well as at the local Jesuit-run high school (Canisius High School).

Program Cost

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST: \$4,000

Cost includes: Tuition for four credits, meals, community housing. Airfare is not included. Cost may be subject to change as in-country costs fluctuate.

DEPOSIT

Within two weeks of the date of acceptance, students are required to reserve their place on the program with a \$500 deposit that is applied to the cost of the program.

Program Requirements

Gonzaga-in-Monze is open to all undergraduates who have completed at least freshman year and meet the admission

requirements listed below:

- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Two letters of academic recommendation
- Student Life and Academic clearance

When to Apply

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 1, 2011 (unless filled prior to this date)

Early application is encouraged. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis up to the application deadline or until the program is filled. The program is limited to 15 students. Operation of this program is subject to administrative approval and is dependent upon meeting the minimum enrollment.

Application Procedure

1. Application form (download a copy from the website)
2. Written essay
3. Two academic recommendations
4. Academic clearance online form
5. Student Life clearance online form
6. \$50 non-refundable application fee payable online
7. Return application to the Study Abroad office either in person (323 E Boone Ave) or by campus mail to AD Box 85.

Passport

Be sure that your passport is valid for six months after the end of the study abroad program.

For More Information

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