

Spring 2014 MSUM Study Tour

Tanzanian Society & Culture

ANTH 390/3 credits
Course ID # 001850

Karibu Tanzania!

Humanity's ancestral home is beckoning you to return home. "Karibu" is Kiswahili for "welcome" and that is what you will hear and feel here. Tanzania is rich in human prehistory, history, wildlife, and stunning scenery. It is also home to the most laid back and hospitable people on earth!

This course offers you the opportunity to experience Tanzania firsthand with someone who knows it well. Dr. Bruce Roberts is an MSUM Anthropology Professor and African specialist. Over the past 25 years he has studied, lived, and taught in both Tanzania & Kenya and has led study tours there since 1998.

Dates & Approximate Cost

Mandatory weekly preparation meetings will begin the week of March 24th. Students will receive background readings and instruction in Kiswahili, the national language of Tanzania. The culmination will be a 3 week study tour to Tanzania. *Travel dates will be approximately May 19 – June 9.* The program fee of \$4900 is subject to slight change due to fluctuation in exchange rates and/or airfare. Fee will include airfare, accommodation, internal transportation and tours including entrance fees, meals, and group insurance.

Destinations will include:

- **Dar es Salaam:** the name means "harbor of peace". Dar is the capital, largest city, and home of the University of Dar es Salaam.
- **Zanzibar:** Stone Town, spice farms, Red Colobus monkeys, pristine white sand beaches, turquoise waters of Indian Ocean.
- **Ngorongoro Crater:** collapsed volcano that is world's largest intact caldera, often called "Africa's Garden of Eden."
- **Olduvai Gorge & Laetoli:** two of most important fossil sites in human evolution; where *Zinjanthropus boseii*, "nutcracker man" was found and where Mary Leakey discovered the 3.5 million year old footprints

Online:

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MSUM students at Olduvai Gorge



Friendly elephant in Serengeti



Maasai *moran* starting a fire



Bling shopping in a Maasai *Boma*.