



INTERCULTURALISM & GLOBAL EXPLORATION

In collaboration with Education First

2024-2025 STUDENT GUIDE

Welcome Travelers!

This Student Guide includes details about course requirements, activities, and expectations. Because of the unique design of the course, we recommend you review the information on the following pages before you access the course on BrightSpace and begin the course. Please keep in mind that this course is designed to support and help you even after you have completed your tour!

Contact Details

Course Registration

Contact Education First directly at:
1-800-655-5364

Program Contact:

EFCredits@nhu.edu

Instructor Contact:

Available within your BrightSpace course

PDHU 480EF

Interculturalism & Global Exploration (3 credits)

Upcoming Course Terms

Summer 2024

5/6/24 - 8/25/24

Fall 2024

9/2/24 - 12/22/24

Spring 2025

1/6/25 - 4/27/25



**Southern
New Hampshire
University**

Course Introduction

This course promotes and develops global awareness, perspectives, and connectedness to increase your overall global competence. Throughout the course you'll complete experiential activities that help you explore your EF tour destinations, challenge your own assumptions, and discover connections between people, places, and cultures. The course's interdisciplinary structure lets you investigate topics related to business, education, culture, government and political science, and many physical and social sciences.

Overall, this course invites you to think about your travel opportunities not only as a sightseer, but also as a learner. It will help you learn more about your tour destinations, consider how interconnected our world has become, and translate what you learn into meaningful actions inspired by your tour experience.

Course Registration Details

Upon registration, you will select a SNHU Academic Term that aligns with your EF Tour. Your term will start after you return home from your tour. If you want to take your course at a later date, feel free to request a new term at efcredit@snhu.edu. **Remember, you can't start your course before you return home from tour with EF!** There is no preparatory work that is required before your term start. We do, however, recommend that you bring a journal to document your experience and take pictures!

Online Course Access & Start of Term Activity

Course access will be sent to your email before your selected term start. Your term start date will be listed in a confirmation email. The course experience takes place within SNHU's online learning platform, BrightSpace.

While this is a self-paced course, as a confirmation of enrollment in the SNHU course for credit, you are required to complete the "Week 1 - Introduce Yourself" discussion post before the end week one. Completing the activity indicates your intent to actively participate in the course and acknowledges your intent to earn a grade on an SNHU transcript. Failure to complete this activity will result in being dropped from the course through SNHU's roster verification process."



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HOW THE COURSE WORKS



Overview

- The course is divided into two parts—**Interest Activities** and an **Inspired Project**.
- You need to complete 15 total **Interest Activities** before the end of the course.
- You will select five activities from three different buckets—that's how you get to 15 total **Interest Activities**! Each bucket has 10 different activities to choose from, so the choice is completely up to you.
- The three buckets of **Interest Activities** look a little different from one another:



SELF-GUIDED

The first bucket will provide for you an opportunity to submit short answers and responses on your own, and at your own pace.



REFLECTIVE

The second bucket—Reflective—is geared towards defining who you are as a global traveler through a variety of reflective activities.



IN-DEPTH

The third bucket—In-Depth—will require you to dive even deeper into understanding yourself and the diverse world we live in. Since we think global travel will change you (before, during, and long after your tour), we're hoping to see you really demonstrate your transformation in this coursework.



Overview Continued

As you begin your Interest Activities, you can choose to start working on what we call an **Inspired Project**, or you can wait closer to the end of the course once you've submitted most of your Interest Activities. Your Inspired Project is how you demonstrate all the great experiences, knowledge, and transformations you've made throughout your travel and this course.

You have three exciting options to help guide you in choosing an **Inspired Project**:

INSPIRED TO SHARE



These projects invite you to create something to share your learning and experience with others. It could be a presentation, video, scrapbook, essay, or something else. This should be something will help others understand what you learned as a result of the Interest Activities and your world travel.

INSPIRED TO CHANGE



The projects are more focused on how you have changed as a result of your tour and what you can do to keep learning more about the world. What is different about you after your tour, and how will you act differently as a result? How will you continue learning about connections between places, people, and cultures? How is your view of the world different than it was before your tour? Like the other project types, you get to decide if you write a paper, make a video, create a presentation, or do something else to showcase how you have been Inspired to Change.

INSPIRED TO ACTIVATE



These projects focus on how you will take action based on your EF tour experiences and this course. That might mean starting a new school club, organizing cross-cultural discussions in your community, organizing a local volunteer effort, or something else. However your tour inspired you, this type of project is about using that inspiration to engage others for a purpose. Depending on how big the project that you decide to do is, you could (A) do the project and share what you accomplished or (B) create and share a very detailed plan for what you are going to do.

Assessment & Grading Scale

Your SNHU instructor will provide a final grade based on the four learning areas below.

Please keep in mind that your final grade may not be posted until a week after the term end date.

Final grades are calculated using SNHU's Undergraduate Grading Scale. This can be found within SNHU's [Academic Catalog here](#).



Self-Guided Activities

10% of Final Grade
100 points possible



Reflective Activities

20% of Final Grade
200 points possible



In-Depth Activities

30% of Final Grade
300 points possible



Inspired Project

40% of Final Grade
400 points possible

