

This fact sheet supplements the CIEE booklet, **Africa/Middle East**, with detailed program information pertaining to the University of Oregon. The CIEE website (<http://www.ciee.org/>) provides specific information detail about the program organization, sites and courses.

AFRICA PROGRAMS

Program Goal

This program is designed for undergraduate students with a strong academic interest in West or South Africa. Students have the choice of studying in Legon, Ghana, Dakar, Senegal or Cape Town, South Africa. Students on the Senegal program are required to study French and Wolof.

CIEE African Studies Program

The University of Oregon, in cooperation with other member institutions of CIEE, sponsors the programs in Ghana, Senegal, Dakar, Senegal and South Africa each fall or spring semester.

Academic Calendar

Fall Semester	mid-August to mid-December
Fall Semester (S. Africa)	early July to late November
Spring Semester	mid-January to mid-May
Spring Semester (S. Africa)	early February to late June

Eligibility Requirements

These programs are open to University of Oregon students with the highest academic achievement. To be eligible, students must have:

- junior standing (Ghana and S. Africa)
- an overall GPA of at least 3.00 (2.75 for Senegal)
- two terms college-level French (Senegal)
- course work in African Studies recommended

MIDDLE EAST PROGRAMS

Program Goal

This program is designed for undergraduate students with a strong academic interest in the languages, cultures and peoples of the Middle East. Students have the choice of studying in Amman, Jordan or Ankara, Turkey. Courses are taught in English.

CIEE Middle Eastern Studies Program

The University of Oregon, in cooperation with other member institutions of CIEE, sponsors the programs in Jordan and Turkey. The Jordan and Turkey programs are offered each fall and spring semester. All students on these programs are required to study Arabic or Turkish.

Academic Calendar

Fall semester	late August to mid-December
Spring semester	late January to mid-June

Eligibility Requirements

This program is open to University of Oregon students who have:

- an overall GPA of at least 2.75
- course work in Middle Eastern studies recommended.

Acceptance Process

Selection for participation is based on a review of the student's written application, transcripts, recommendations and personal interview. Qualified applicants are recommended by an Overseas Program Coordinator in the Office of International Programs. The final selection of participants is made by CIEE.

Students must also make satisfactory academic progress throughout the application process and their study abroad program, and otherwise comply with policies and procedures of the host university, the UO and Office of International Programs (OIP).

Application Forms

All application materials must be submitted to the Office of International Programs. **All application files must be completed by the UO application deadline listed below.**

UO Application Deadlines

Fall semester (South Africa only)	February 15, 2006
Fall semester (all other programs)	March 1, 2006
Spring semester (South Africa only)	Sept. 15, 2006
Spring semester (all other programs)	October 3, 2006

These application deadlines supersede dates listed in the CIEE brochure.

A **\$50 application fee**, payable to the University of Oregon, is due at the time the application is submitted and will be applied to the cost of the program if the student is accepted. The application fee is **non-refundable** under any circumstances.

Registration and Credits

Participants will be registered at the University of Oregon and receive UO residence credit. Fall semester participants receive credit for the UO fall term; spring semester participants receive credit for the UO winter and spring terms.

Student Budget

The estimated costs for 2005-06 were:

	Semester
UO Study Abroad fee	\$300-600
CIEE program fee:	
Ghana	9600
Jordan	9600
Senegal	9600
South Africa	10,900
Turkey	8900
Estimated Meals	700-1000
Estimated Books & supplies	35-300
Estimated Visa fees	32-65
Estimated Local transportation	120-250
Estimated Round-trip airfare	1300-2000
<u>Estimated Personal expenses</u>	<u>500-2000</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL	\$11,817-\$16,620

Note: The figures listed above are estimates only based on information available in October 2005. Expenses may increase due to a falling exchange rate, increased program costs, increased tuition, inflation or other factors.

Payment of Program Costs

All payments are made to the University of Oregon and must be paid before leaving the U.S. A billing statement will be sent upon acceptance.

Refund Policy

The \$50 application fee and \$300 CIEE deposit are non-refundable under any circumstances.

After the beginning date of the program there will be no refund of the UO administrative fee.

CIEE has a separate refund policy for its program fees. Please refer to the CIEE booklet for further information.

All refund requests must be made in writing and must include the reasons for withdrawing.

Financial Aid

Most forms of financial aid, such as loans and grants, for which students are eligible may be applied to the cost of this program. Veteran's benefits may also be applied. Students should consult with a financial aid counselor in the Office of Student Financial Aid for specific information about awards and eligibility.

Students with financial aid awards who are selected for the program must consult with Marj Biehler in the Office of International Programs to discuss details on transferring financial aid funds to pay for program costs.

Students planning to utilize financial aid awards to pay for program costs should be aware that federal regula-

tions prohibit the release of financial aid before the beginning of the term(s) of participation at the University of Oregon. Participants will therefore have to find alternative sources of funding to pay for airline tickets and other arrival expenses. A special short-term loan fund is available for students with demonstrated financial need. Consult the Office of International Programs for further information.

Orientation

There will be mandatory orientations at the University of Oregon prior to departure to discuss matters of academic, cultural, administrative, and financial concern. Students will be notified about orientation details.

Selection and Participation

Participants must meet the eligibility requirements for their chosen program, and be prepared linguistically, academically, and socially to succeed abroad. Overseas study participants must satisfactorily complete the following:

- well-written program application
- personal interview
- timely submission of required paperwork
- attendance at pre-departure orientation sessions
- payment of program fees.

Program participants must also demonstrate the ability to be successful overseas through evidence of maturity, motivation, and flexibility, and such other characteristics as the OIP may deem relevant or appropriate.

Participation in any program is subject to the approval of the Office of International Programs and its partner institutions, which may grant or withhold such approval in their sole discretion.

For Further Information

For further information about this and other programs sponsored by the University of Oregon, please contact:

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