OMAN
A GVSU FACULTY-LED PROGRAM

Oman/UAE: Language, Culture and Business in Oman and Dubai
Open to: All Majors

TELL ME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM
Ibri, Oman & Dubai, United Arab Emirates — This program will introduce students to the language, culture and business practices of Oman and the UAE (Dubai). Oman and the UAE are Middle Eastern countries known for their peacefulness, modernity, hospitality and openness. As members of the Gulf Cooperation Council, they share many features of global economic development, but have also retained their traditional heritage and character. Students will be immersed in Arabic culture and language, contrasting the modern and traditional aspects of the Middle East. They will also experience how business is done in these two Middle Eastern countries and how traditional culture influences business and the business environment.

WHEN CAN I GO?
July 12 - August 14, 2018 (5 weeks)

WHERE WILL I LIVE?
Students will live in apartments and hotels.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?
This program is open to all majors, but does require a minimum 2.0 GPA. GVSU is happy to extend this opportunity to non-GVSU students.

HOW DO I APPLY?
To apply for this program, log on to www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad to begin your online application.

APPLICATION DEADLINE (2018 Program): February 1, 2018

Non-GVSU Students are welcome to apply. Please view Non-GVSU Student Information

WHAT CREDITS WILL I RECEIVE?
Students will register for a total of 6 credits:
ARA 180: Spoken and Written Arabic in the Gulf (3 credits) OR
ARA 285: Colloquial and Media Arabic (3 credits) OR
ARA 386: Arabic through Culture and Customs (3 credits) AND
BUS 301: International Business and Culture in Oman and Dubai (3 credits)

*Issues friendly (Students can fulfill their entire Issues requirement on this program)
Students can also fulfill World Perspectives
Language of instruction: Arabic and English
HOW MUCH DOES THE PROGRAM COST?
The approximate fee for this program is Program Fee: $4,483.

Includes

- Round-trip transportation from Grand Rapids
- Accommodation
- Most meals
- Field trips and entrance fees
- All ground transportation

Other Expenses

- GVSU Tuition ($3,150)
- Personal expenses ($500)
- Passport ($140)
- ISIC card (Optional) ($28)

Total Estimated Cost: TOTAL PROJECTED COST (Program Fee + Other Expenses) = $8,301

FINANCIAL AID
To contact the Financial Aid office, email finaid@gvsu.edu with “Study Abroad” in the Subject line. Include your G Number and Total Projected Cost of the program in the e-mail.

Non-GVSU Students: Non-GVSU students admitted for study abroad are not eligible for Financial Aid from GVSU. Check with your home school’s study abroad and financial aid offices for details on applying for financial aid from your home school toward study abroad program costs.

Financial Aid FAQs

GRANTS

FACULTY-LED PROGRAM GRANT (Up to $1,500): All degree-seeking students who apply to their faculty-led program by the priority deadline are automatically considered for a grant of up to $1,500 from the Padnos International Center. Students must have a current FAFSA on file to be eligible. No application required.

SEIDMAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP (Award varies): Apply online using GVSU MyScholarships: https://gvsu.academicworks.com/opportunities/3103

James F. and Virginia L. Goode Global Programs Scholarship: The purpose of the scholarship is to reduce the financial pressure on students and their families and make a Grand Valley education accessible to students from all backgrounds. This need-based scholarship will ensure that financial need does not become a barrier to intellectual and personal growth for students planning to study abroad. MyScholarships: https://gvsu.academicworks.com/opportunities/10186

Visit www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad/scholarships for additional information on grants and scholarships.

WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

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