

SUMMER 2018

## Ethiopia

**DATES:** 28 May– 8 June 2018  
**FACULTY:** Dr. James Shopshire  
**COST:** \$4000  
**LIMIT:** 15 Students

**DESCRIPTION:** This 14-day immersion will be among the people and socio-cultural systems of Ethiopia and Ghana. It will include exposure to the Abrahamic religions and the historic Ethiopian Orthodox Church. Participants will have contact with other Christians, including Anglicans, Catholics, and Protestants. Organizations (NGO's) and Jewish groups. Audiences with various backgrounds and society will be arranged in order for students to explore theological implications for the faith and ministry of the churches, working for and sharing the land, justice, peace, economic development, and dynamics between developing and developed nations and corporations and change in Africa and the Ethiopian diaspora. **Limited to 15 Students**

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## BorderLinks

**DATES:** 29 May - 8 June 2018  
**FACULTY:** Rev. Audrey Price  
**COST:** Approx. \$3000  
**Limit:** 20 Students

**DESCRIPTION:** BorderLinks delegations deepen their understandings of borders, immigration, and social justice. Delegations have a variety of experiences, depending on the delegation's needs and goals. Delegations last from one day to two weeks. Delegations can walk migrant trails in the desert, witness migration-related court proceedings, visit migrant shelters and immigration detention centers, or learn about community-based projects that create economic and social opportunities within borderland communities. Delegations can meet with community members, activists, and academics throughout Tucson and the surrounding borderlands. Many delegations travel to Mexico, while others stay on the US side of the border to explore the Arizona context more deeply. Delegations listen to many different voices and hear the stories of people who are impacted by border and immigration policies in a variety of ways.

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[www.borderlinks.org](http://www.borderlinks.org)

## Sponsored by Other Organizations

### BREEZEWOOD TRUCKERS MINISTRY

**DATES:** May 2018; Exact dates to be negotiated with chaplain  
**IMMERSION LEADER:** Rev. Bruce Maxwell  
**APPROXIMATE COST:** \$1,000.00 (including lodging and meals)  
**LIMIT:** 2 Students

**DESCRIPTION:** Experience ministry to those in transit as travelers or workers. Help provide a listening ear and emergency assistance, experience "the road" and learn what life and faith are like from this point of view. For more information, watch this video of Chaplain Maxwell on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fkyqs6kgOuY>  
**CONTACT:** Nick Works, [nworks@wesleyseminary.edu](mailto:nworks@wesleyseminary.edu), OR [Maxwell.bruce@gatewaytravelplaza.com](mailto:Maxwell.bruce@gatewaytravelplaza.com) or 814-977-6964

### GATE (Global Awareness Through Experience)

#### GATE EL SALVADOR

**DATES:** June 20-30, 2018  
**COST:** \$1,375.00 not including airfare (Registration fee is \$100.00)  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** March 20, 2018 (fee goes up to \$150.00 if not received by registration deadline date)

**DESCRIPTION:** Meet with people of faith, dedication, and courage who seek to improve their country from within. Learn first hand how trade agreements affect the lives of those in the countryside, how emigration is seen as the only viable alternative to survival. Learn about healthcare concerns, and how the immediate past has shaped the environment in this young and fragile democracy. Walk the holy ground of sites where Archbishop Oscar Romero, the four North American churchwomen and others who were murdered. Witness the efforts of a president seeking to improve life for the poor and dialogue with U.S. Embassy personnel.

**CONTACT:** GATE at [www.gate-travel.org](http://www.gate-travel.org), 608-791-5283

#### GUATEMALA

**DATES:** August 9-19, 2018  
**COST:** \$1,450.00 not including airfare (Registration fee is \$100.00)  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** May, 2018 (fee goes up to \$150.00 if not received by registration deadline date)

**DESCRIPTION:** Encounter people living out their values through active resistance. See first hand the effects of trade agreements in the countryside and how emigration is seen as sole alternative. Witness grassroots efforts to provide jobs to build a more sustainable future. Explore human rights issues. Learn how economic needs affect immigration issues. Presenter Julia Esquivel, poet, theologian, teacher, and human rights advocate shares her spiritual wisdom. Become oriented to Mayan roots and spirituality; historical and political reality of Guatemala; human rights and concerns; systems of poverty affecting indigenous people; community leadership in liberation model; learn how economic needs affect immigration issues. Starts in Guatemala City, then moves to the highland of Quiche, San Lucas Toliman, Santiago Atitlan, in the lake area, and ends in Antigua.  
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### CHIPPEWA-CREE INDIAN CULTURE ROCKY BOY'S RESERVATION, MONTANA

**DATES:** August 4th—August 15th, 2018  
**IMMERSION LEADER:** Rev. Linda Webster  
**COST:** \$750  
**LIMIT:** 10 students

**DESCRIPTION:** Experience an immersion into the Chippewa-Cree Indian culture of Montana. Students will look at issues of faith and justice, stepping into a different culture and worldview to see how it converges and diverges with Eurocentric Christianity. Experience the history, culture, arts, crafts, rituals and life experiences of the Chippewa-Cree People.

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**\*This immersion requires the completion of an additional application.**

### AMERC

**DATES:** TBD  
**FACULTY:**  
**COST:** TBD (*AMERC Scholarships Available for this immersion*)  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**  
**DESCRIPTION:** TBD  
**CONTACT:** [nworks@wesleyseminary.edu](mailto:nworks@wesleyseminary.edu)

## Future Immersion Opportunities

### WINTER 2019 South Africa

**Dates:** December 2017/January 2018  
**Faculty:** Dr. Eileen Guenther  
**Cost:** \$5500.

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Explore the south of South Africa, the people, their struggle with apartheid, and their capacity for forgiveness. Experience the "new South Africa", its faith and worship, politics and new economic ventures, the variety of its many cultures and languages, its natural beauty and its heart-grabbing music.

**\*Participation requires special pre-trip sessions in addition to the required Intercultural Immersion Orientation Sessions**

## 2017-2018 Orientation & Debriefing Schedule

### Spring 2018 Immersion Orientation Sessions

- \*Monday February 12, 2017; 9:50am - 12:00noon
- \*Friday February 16, 2017; 3:40 pm-5:50 pm

### Spring 2018 Immersion Debriefing Sessions

- \*\*Monday March 12, 2017; 9:50am - 12:00noon
- \*\*Friday March 16, 2017; 3:40 pm-5:50 pm

\*Please note that individual immersions may also have special scheduled pre-trip sessions arranged by the faculty leader.

\*\*Students who attend WTS faculty-led immersions are not required to attend a PMM debriefing session. Your debriefing will be led by your faculty leader.

## Scholarships

Immersion Scholarships are available for all immersions. See PMM Office or Financial Aid Office (Dane Smith, [dasmith@wesleyseminary.edu](mailto:dasmith@wesleyseminary.edu)) for application. Due date is March 30, 2016 for Summer Immersions.

## STEPSTOTAKE

1. Indicate your interest in a particular immersion by consulting with the Assistant Director. **PLEASE NOTE: Faculty-led immersions may have special instructions prior to signing up.**

2. Register and pay the tuition for MM-350. **PLEASE NOTE: the program fees associated with the immersion does not include tuition.**
3. Pay the cost for your specific immersion. This cost is separate from the tuition. Your ministry setting may assist you with the cost.
4. Obtain and sign the Immersion Agreement Form (if you plan to attend a faculty-led immersion). At any time you can set up an account with the Business Office to begin accumulating the required funds.
5. Attend the required orientation session offered in a semester prior to your immersion.
6. Complete the Immersion Application with all required signatures and submit it to the PMM Office by date posted. Keep the certificate of participation to take with you on your immersion.
7. Go on your immersion and have the immersion leader sign the certificate of participation. This form is the last page of your immersion application.
8. Write your reflection paper and develop your project presentation to submit them by the due date (30 days after returning from your immersion). You will find guidelines in the immersion guide in your Handbook, online or in the packet of information given to you during the Immersion Orientation Session.
9. Attend a required debriefing session offered in the semester immediately following your immersion. Students who attend Wesley faculty-led immersions will have their debriefing session led by that faculty member.

This brochure is updated several times a year. For the most current information please visit the PMM web pages at [www.wesleyseminary.edu](http://www.wesleyseminary.edu) or the PMM Office in room K107.

For more information on these and other immersion offerings please contact Nick Works at [nworks@wesleyseminary.edu](mailto:nworks@wesleyseminary.edu) or 202-885-8558.



# Intercultural Immersion Brochure Summer 2018

*\*Costs are estimates and do not include Wesley tuition*

*- All dates are approximate. Check PMM website & revised brochures for updated information. All trips are subject to cancellation. Student enrollment is limited for each immersion; thus, early planning is suggested.*

*- Students will be given priority to participate in an immersion when (1) they've met course pre-requisites; (2) those who seek graduation need to meet this requirement; and (3) on a first come first-serve basis.*