

Wesley Led Immersions

Winter 2020

MLK: Nonviolent Footsteps

Dates: January 9-20 2020

Faculty: Rev. Dr. Terry Saulsberry

Cost: \$1700

This 12 day Immersion is a journey back in time to follow the nonviolent footsteps of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. from Atlanta, GA to Memphis, TN during the Civil Rights Movement. Walking visits and tours will be made to significant sites and places in Atlanta, Montgomery, Selma, Birmingham, and Memphis. Students will engage in an historical, theological and socio-cultural analysis of the work of Dr. King, with particular focus on implications for the contemporary church and society.

Contact: Nick Works nworks@wesleyseminary.edu

Public Theology in Iowa

Dates: January 9-18, 2020

Faculty: Mike McCurry

Cost: \$2600

We'll see candidates in action at campaign events and meet with faith leaders who help raise the visibility of issues often neglected in presidential politics: how to attend to the needs of the poor, the lost, and those in need of hope for our nation. The road to the White House begins in Iowa, so that's where we're going.

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BREEZEWOOD TRUCKERS MINISTRY

DATES: May 2019; Exact dates to be negotiated with chaplain

LEADER: Rev. Bruce Maxwell **COST:** \$1,000.00

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, OR Maxwell.bruce@gatewaytravelplaza.com or 814-977-6964

LAKOTA INDIAN CULTURE PINE RIDGE, SOUTH DAKOTA

DATES: January 6-17, 2020

IMMERSION LEADER: Rev. Kay Ressel

COST: \$700 plus Airfare

LIMIT: 6 students

DESCRIPTION: Experience an immersion into the Lakota Indian culture of South Dakota. Experience the history, culture, arts, crafts, rituals and life experiences of the Lakota People. Issues of education and housing, among others, will be addressed.

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Future Immersion Opportunities Summer 2020

Turkey

Dates: June 2020

Faculty: Dr. Salih Sayligan

Cost: Est. \$3600

Description: Engaging in a world of Difference: a Study Trip to Turkey

Istanbul, Ephesus, Konya (Rumi's city), Nicea and Cappadocia

This study trip can be taken as an intercultural immersion or a 2-credit summer school course (tuition costs not included).

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Taize France

Dates: May 14-25, 2020

Faculty: Dr. Emily Peck-McClain

Cost: \$3100 cost includes air travel from DC, 3 nights in Paris, ground travel, most meals and our stay in Taize. Cost based on double occupancy.

Description: Immersion into reconciliation-focused, ecumenical monastic living. Coming to Taizé is to be invited to search for communion with God through community prayer, song, silence, personal reflection and sharing. A stay in Taizé can help one step back from daily life, to meet a wide variety of people and consider one's commitment in the Church and in society. Contact: Nick Works, nworks@wesleyseminary.edu

Creation Care and Eco-theology in the Pacific Northwest

Dates: July 1-14 2020

Faculty: Dr. Asa Lee

Cost: Est. \$1800-\$2000

Description: Exploring themes of creation care and Eco-theology This two week immersion takes us to communities in the Pacific Northwest that are hoping to live out authentic theologies of balance and care for nature while addressing issues of climate change and humanity driven needs. For more information contact Dr. Asa Lee alee@wesleyseminary.edu or Nick Works in PMM at nworks@wesleyseminary.edu

2019-2020 Orientation & Debriefing Schedule

Summer 2019 Immersion Debriefing Sessions

Friday September 13, 2019 9:50am—Noon
Friday September 27, 2019 3:40pm-5:50pm

Winter 2020 Immersion Orientation Sessions

Friday October 18, 2019 9:50am– Noon
Friday November 1, 2019 3:40pm-5:50pm

*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 **WESLEY-Led** immersions. See Financial Aid Office (Dane Smith, dasmith@wesleyseminary.edu) for application.

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 or the PMM Office in room K107.

For more information on these and other immersion offerings please contact Nick Works at nworks@wesleyseminary.edu or 202-885-8604.



Intercultural Immersion Brochure Winter 2020

**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.