

## UMD-Spring Break: Cuba: International Investigations in Cuban Education (EDHI) (Outgoing Program)

- **Locations:** Camaguey, Cuba
- **Program Terms:** Spring Break

Fact Sheet:

**Credit Type:** Resident Credit

**Class Eligibility:** Graduate Student

**Non-UMD students eligible to** Yes, see eligibility tab for  
**apply:** more details

**Graduate students eligible to** Yes  
**apply:**

Program Description:

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**Housing Options:** Hotel/hostel

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Program Type:** Maryland Short-term



Immerse yourself in the complex global education and social issues facing the world today by participating in Embargoed Exchanges: International Investigations in Cuban Education. In this program, you will travel to Camaguey to engage in international fieldwork and conduct international research related to your academic interests.. This conference style program allows you to engage with local Cuban educators through scholarly lectures and panels, collaborative exchanges, workshops, informal interviews, and site visits to education and cultural sites.

You must be in good academic and judicial standing and you must not have any registration blocks to participate in this program. The minimum GPA for this program is listed above.

Non-UMD and UMD graduate students are eligible to apply.

Knowledge of Spanish is not required but preferred.

This program is ideal for graduate students who wish to conduct research in a complex international setting. Students from all majors within the College of Education will be given preference but the program is open to all majors.. Anthropology, Latin American Studies, and Public Policy are encouraged to consider this program. You must be open to engaging with the complex issues involving global education policy.

After you commit to the program, Education Abroad will enroll you in the following three (3) credit UMD course:

- EDHI788X: International Investigations in Cuban Education
- LACSXXXX: International Investigations in Cuban Education (pending)

The credit you earn during this program will count as [resident credit](#).

After admission to the program, you will meet with the faculty director to discuss course requirements and the research component of the course. This program also includes four pre-trip sessions (2/2/23, 2/17/23, 3/3/23, 3/17/23). In addition there will be an online course space to facilitate pre-departure discussions and virtual exchanges with our Cuban colleagues to provide context for the course content prior to our arrival.

The course will meet once upon return to the US on 4/1/23.

You will stay in shared accommodations in a modest hotel located centrally in Camaguey. Internet access is limited in Cuba. Students should plan to be disconnected from their home communities and use the time in Cuba to engage with the local community in Camaguey.

\*This program qualifies for eligible Pell Grant recipients to apply for the [Gilman International Scholarship](#). [Online applications](#) will open in mid-August and are due October 5, 2023, at 11:59pm PT.

### Costs listed are for spring break 2024

<b>Application Fee</b>	\$25
<b>Billable Costs</b>	
Billable costs are charged to your student account. They are due based on the <a href="#">Office of Student Financial Services and Cashiering payment schedule's payment schedule</a> . Be sure to check your statements when they are available.	
<b>Tuition</b>	\$2,118
This fee is charged to your UMD account upon course registration. This fee includes: Tuition, in-country transportation, course related activities, group meals, and teaching services.	
<b>Housing Fee</b>	\$240
This fee represents the housing provided during the program.	
<b><u>TOTAL PROGRAM FEE</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,358</u></b>
<b>Education Abroad Fee</b>	\$700
This fee is charged to your account when the application status changes from "Accepted" to "Committed." This fee includes Education Abroad services including registration, billing, advising, risk management, and pre-departure orientation.	
<b><u>International Health Insurance</u></b> (estimate)	\$26
<b>Out-of-pocket Costs</b>	
Meals (estimate)	\$100
Visa	\$0
Passport	\$165
Expedited Passport Processing (recommended)	\$60
Roundtrip Airfare (estimate)	\$1,000
Course Materials	\$50
Optional Activities/incidental expenses	\$150
Optional trip cancelation/interruption Insurance (estimate)	\$200
<b><u>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,809</u></b>

NOTE: If you are a non-UMD graduate student, you will need to pay a \$75 application fee to the UMD graduate school to participate in this program.

Please refer to the following resources for more information on funding study abroad

- [Financial Aid](#)
- [Scholarships](#)
- [Financial Policies](#)

**PLEASE NOTE:** All University of Maryland study abroad programs are financially self-supporting and, therefore, subject to cancellation due to low enrollment.

**Tuition remission applies to course costs!**

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For course, itinerary or in-country information, please contact the Program Director. For general questions or assistance with applying, contact [Education Abroad](#).

As a part of this program, you will engage in the following activities:

- Visits to schools, research centers, and institutions of higher education
- Fieldwork research in a complex and enriching international setting
- Workshops on education practices, policies and research methods
- Lectures from Cuban and American scholars
- Virtual engagement with Cuban facilitated by [the Global Classrooms](#)

Dates / Deadlines:

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Term	Year	Last Day to Apply	Decision Date	Start Date	End Date
Spring Break	2024	10/06/2023	10/11/2023	03/17/2024	03/24/2024

**Indicates that deadline has passed**