Engineering Together Sustainable Communities: A US-Mexico Study Abroad Program

Minimum Criteria for Acceptance

Undergraduate Students at the time of application should have:
- 30 credit hours completed (12 hours must be at UTEP)
- Good academic standing
- 2.50 cumulative GPA minimum
- Passed MATH 1411 with a “C” or better

Student’s Name: _____________________________

Application Checklist

Your complete application must be turned into the Global Programs Office in the College of Engineering by the application deadline. To ensure your application is complete, please use the list below and check off the items required. **INCOMPETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED OR PROCESSED.**

- Complete and signed “Engineering Together Sustainable Communities” program
- application Unofficial Transcript
- Statement of Purpose
- One Recommendation Form from Faculty (professors or lecturers)
**PART ONE: APPLICATION**

*Please type directly onto this form. Handwritten applications will not be accepted.*

I. **Personal Information**

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*Students must activate and check their UTEP email accounts as this will be the primary means of communication.*

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If “no”, have you applied for a passport? Select

*If no you need to apply for your passport IMMEDIATELY*
II. Educational Information

Classification Select

Number of transfer hours completed

Number of hours completed at UTEP

College Select

Major

Major

Minor

Minor

Expected Date of Graduation Select

Have you studied abroad before? Select

When? 

Where?

Are you eligible to apply for Financial Aid? Select

If “yes”, do you currently receive Financial Aid? Select

How did you learn about Study Abroad at UTEP? (check all that apply)

- Study Abroad Office
- Department/College
- Class
- Faculty member
- Catalog
- Web
- Friend
- Former Participant
- Other

III. Spanish Language Experience

Is Spanish your native language? Select

If “no” indicate primary language

Have you studied Spanish at the university level? Select

If yes, how many semesters?

Please identify your level of proficiency in Spanish:

Reading

- None
- Basic
- Intermediary
- Advanced

% of ability

Conversation

- None
- Basic
- Intermediary
- Advanced

% of ability

Writing

- None
- Basic
- Intermediary
- Advanced

% of ability
IV. Disclaimers

I acknowledge that as a participant of this program I am required to take a special topics Engineering class. I also understand that I will be required to submit a final paper about the course work and experience.  

Student initials: __________________________

I certify that the above information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in my dismissal from the program. I give Study Abroad Office permission to review my judicial records at UTEP as part of my application. I also understand that UTEP has the right to deny my admission to a study abroad program based upon my academic and/or judicial records.

I hereby authorize The University of Texas at El Paso, Study Abroad Office, and those acting pursuant to its authority to:

a) Record my likeness and voice on a video, audio, photographic, digital, electronic or, any other medium and use my name in connection with these recordings.

b) Use, reproduce, exhibit or distribute in any medium (e.g. print publications, video tapes, CD-ROM, Internet/WWW) these recordings, in whole or in part, without restrictions or limitations for any purpose that the University and those acting pursuant to its authority, deem appropriate, including educational, promotional or advertising efforts.

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I release the University and those acting pursuant to its authority from liability for any violation of any personal or proprietary right I may have in connection with such use. This release is executed gratuitously and/or for any self-satisfaction which I may derive from any publication or programs in which my likeness or voice will appear. I understand that all such recordings, in whatever medium, shall remain the property of the University.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE.

Signature  __________________________  Date __________________________
PART TWO – ESSAY

You are required to submit one essay. High quality essays evidence seriousness of purpose and contain sufficient examples, details and explanations to support your general statements.

Your essay must be typed, double-spaced, in Times New Roman font size 12, and have one-inch margins. Attach it to your application. Carefully proofread for grammar, spelling, punctuation, and clarity of expression. Include your name at the top of each page.

In complete sentences and three separate paragraphs, please answer the questions below. Your response must be at least 300 words and a maximum of 500 words in length.

1. Why do you wish to participate in this Faculty-led program in Mexico and what factors led to your decision?

2. Please describe any service learning or volunteer opportunities in which you have participated. How have these experiences prepared you to participate in this program?
RECOMMENDATION FORM

Student Name

To the recommender:
The student named above is applying to participate in a Study Abroad program. Students are selected to participate in study abroad programs on the basis of academic performance, maturity, flexibility and a strong sense of purpose. It is important to the student and to UTEP that we select only those students who are likely to succeed in and benefit from this program. We appreciate your candid opinion as to the applicant’s qualifications.

How long have you known this applicant? 

In what capacity?
- [ ] Student in large class/lecture
- [ ] Student in small class/seminar

A. Please rate the applicant according to your experience by marking the appropriate boxes as compared to other students with whom you have worked.

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- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO
- [ ] Not Able to Comment
If you were the director of the Study Abroad program, would you want this student to be in your program?

☐ YES  ☐ NO

Would this student be a good representative of UTEP?

☐ YES  ☐ NO

**Overall assessment:**

☐ Highly Recommended  ☐ Recommended

☐ Recommended with Reservations  ☐ Not Recommended

Please provide an explanation to any of the questions above for which you answered NO or any information about this student in regards to hi/her Study Abroad Application


Instructor's Signature


Date


Printed Name (please print clearly)


Title & Department


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