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Program Overview

On this program you will make a difference in the lives of others by engaging in participatory action research in schools with Malawian colleagues during the summer term. The Malawi, Africa Study Abroad program offers UNCW students the opportunity to study abroad in Malawi, Africa for three-and-a-half weeks during the summer term. Students will conduct projects on learning, teaching, and leadership while interacting with internationally-recognized global leaders, educators, and learners in Malawi’s public schools.

Academics

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Program Facts

Location ............................................................. Malawi, Africa
Tentative Program Dates ............................. May 22 - June 14, 2017

Program Leader(s):
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Application

Application Deadline: December 1, 2016

• To apply, log in at: https://itsappserv02.uncw.edu/intprogapp/ and select your program of choice
• A $500 non-refundable deposit is due at time of application

Eligibility

Students are eligible to apply for this program if they meet the following eligibility criteria:

• Degree-seeking student
• Good judicial standing
• 2.50+ GPA at time of application

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Location

Welcome to Malawi! Malawi is known as the Warm Heart of Africa and its legendary welcome is there for all who wish to experience the unrivalled combination of lake, landscape, wildlife and culture in one of Africa’s most beautiful and compact countries. We work in schools supporting a variety of projects designed to meet the needs of the schools and community in the Zomba, Domasi area.

Program Activities & Features

- Zomba Market: tinsmiths, woodcarvers, fabric shops, and tailors
- MVUU Camp: river safari, afternoon and evening safari, morning guided walk
- Malika Church: traditional singing and dancing incorporated into Catholic liturgy
- Liwonde wood carvers
- Club Makokola on Lake Malawi: traditional dances by local villagers
- MUA Mission Museum for overview of traditional cultures in Southern Malawi and unique Mua-style wood carving

### Estimated Program Fee: $4,800

**Program Fee Includes:**

- Roundtrip airfare
- In-country transportation
- Required travel health insurance
- Lodging and Porter Fees
- Excursions - Entrance Fees (includes Malika Church, Chifundo Chatu Orphanage, and Mua Mission)

**Additional Costs:**

(not included in program fee)

- Food and bottled water
- Immunizations
- Tuition (3 hours)
- Visa

Federal and state financial aid may be applied toward this program. Even if you are normally ineligible for financial aid, you should submit a financial aid application (FAFSA). You may find that you are eligible for additional funding.

UNCW students may also apply for a UNCW Education Abroad Grant and additional study abroad scholarships. Grant applications and additional information are available at: [www.uncw.edu/international/abroad/aid.html](http://www.uncw.edu/international/abroad/aid.html)