

U.S.-MEXICO RELATIONS SUMMER PROGRAM: JULY 21 - AUGUST 3, 2019

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SCHOOL OVERVIEW

The U.S.-Mexico Relations Summer Program is led by GPS professors Dr. Rafael Fernández de Castro, director of the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies at GPS and former foreign policy adviser to President Felipe Calderón, and Dr. Gordon McCord, accomplished economist and researcher at UC San Diego's Policy Design and Evaluation Laboratory as well as creator of the Millennium Village Simulation teaching tool to help students appreciate the complexity of achieving sustainable development.

U.S.-MEXICO RELATIONS SUMMER PROGRAM: OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVES

The two-week summer program on U.S.-Mexico Relations is a customized group program designed for university students studying international affairs and Mexican junior government officials. The program focuses on international relations and institutions, the U.S. political system, and U.S.-Mexico relations.

In the course of two weeks, participants will gain a better understanding of U.S. political institutions and policy, development policy, and the complexity of policy-making process as it relates to the U.S. and its effects on Mexico.

In addition to lectures from internationally recognized professors and government experts, the program leverages the unique location of San Diego and its proximity to Mexico to incorporate site visits to organizations on both sides of "the busiest land border crossing in the Western Hemisphere."

SAMPLE CURRICULUM AND SCHEDULE

Each week will consist of lectures at UC San Diego and on-site visits to relevant organizations in the

San Diego region. A sample of the two-week schedule is as follows:

Monday, July 22, 2019

9:00am-12:00pm Orientation, Welcoming Remarks, Program Overview, and Campus Tour

1:30pm-3:00pm Lecture: the U.S. Constitution and Three Branches of Government Part I

3:30pm-5:00pm Lecture: the U.S. Constitution and Three Branches of Government Part II

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: the Mechanics of Policy-Making Part I

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: the Mechanics of Policy-Making Part II

Wednesday, July 24, 2019

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: U.S. Policy-Making

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: San Diego-Tijuana Transborder Metropolis – a Bioregional Perspective

Thursday, July 25, 2019

10:00am-11:40am Site Visit: U.S. Consulate General in Tijuana

1:00pm-2:40pm Site Visit: U.S.-Mexico Border

Friday, July 26, 2019

8:00am-9:40am Site Visit: U.S. Congressman Local Office– Border Issues

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: Lessons from NAFTA

Monday, July 29, 2019

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: U.S.-Mexico Security Issues

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: U.S.-Mexico Economics and Trade

Tuesday, July 30, 2019

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: Development Policy

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: U.S. Foreign Policy and Mexico

Wednesday, July 31, 2019

10:00am-12:00pm Lecture: Complexities of the U.S. Embassy and International Diplomacy

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: the Role of Bilateral and Multilateral Relations for Development

Thursday, August 1, 2019

10:30am-11:30am Site Visit: Consulate General of Mexico in San Diego

1:30pm-2:30pm Site Visit: City of San Diego's Binational Economic Development Division

Friday, August 2, 2019

9:30am-11:30m Lecture: Foreign Aid Policy

1:30pm-3:30pm Lecture: Policy Design and Evaluation

3:30pm-4:00pm Farewell Remarks and Awarding of Certificates