

The World's Premier Global Education Program

Semester at Sea®









Established in 1963

Three academic voyages per year

Undergraduates from colleges around the world

Academic sponsor: University of Virginia (U.Va.)

Operated by the Institute for Shipboard Education

WHAT IS SEMESTER AT SEA?



The mission of Semester at Sea is to educate individuals for leadership, service, and success in shaping our interdependent world.

MISSION





Fall and spring voyages
Summer voyages
55,000 alumni from 1,700 institutions around the world
U.S. and international faculty
Interport lecturers, world leaders, and dignitaries
Diverse learning environment
110 voyages and counting

UNPARALLELED LEARNING EXPERIENCE



The MV Explorer

- 590-feet long
- 25,000 tons
- Built in 2002
- 7 decks
- 418 cabins





SEMESTER AT SEA'S FLOATING CAMPUS



Classrooms equipped with closed-circuit TV

Common areas for study

9,000-volume library

Wireless Internet throughout the ship

Wellness center

Fitness center

Outdoor sports court and pool

Medical clinic

Two dining rooms





WORLD-CLASS LIVING/LEARNING ENVIRONMENT



A global learning adventure for adults who want more than just a vacation.



LIFELONG LEARNERS ON SEMESTER AT SEA



SEE MORE, GO FARTHER, DO MORE

Circumnavigate the globe

Transferable credit from U.Va.

Field experiences in 12+ countries

Career opportunities (U.S. and abroad)

WHY SEMESTER AT SEA?



"I'm able to see things from different points-of-view now—not just from an American point-of-view."

"This experience makes you understand peoples and cultures infinitely more than you would just from reading about them."

"Thirty years later, my experience on Semester at Sea is what formed my understanding of the world the most."

IMPACT: WHAT OUR ALUMNI SAY



"Students learn how easy it can be to respect people from other cultures as human beings with the same wants and needs that they have."

"This sort of opportunity for university students to see first-hand who they are in a larger context has never been more needed in the world than it is today."

"Students leave the ship having clarified goals for their lives and careers, with global skills that will help them stand out and thrive in an increasingly interdependent global marketplace."

IMPACT: WHAT OUR FACULTY SAY



"The mission of this grand experiment has been to foster greater intercultural understanding by exposing its participants—young and old, students and faculty—to people and cultures around the world while providing them with a sea-going classroom in which to study and absorb what they've seen and learned."



Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu

DISTINGUISHED LECTURERS AND GUESTS

FIDEL CASTRO ANWAR SADAT INDIRA GANDHI MIKHAIL GORBACHEV CORAZON AQUINO SIDI MOHAMMED ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU MOTHER TERESA NELSON MANDELA



FALL, SPRING, AND SUMMER VOYAGES

HANDS-ON LEARNING

FIELD PROGRAMS IN EVERY PORT

SAS VOYAGE ITINERARIES





GLOBAL Fall and Spring Itineraries





REGIONAL Summer Itinerary

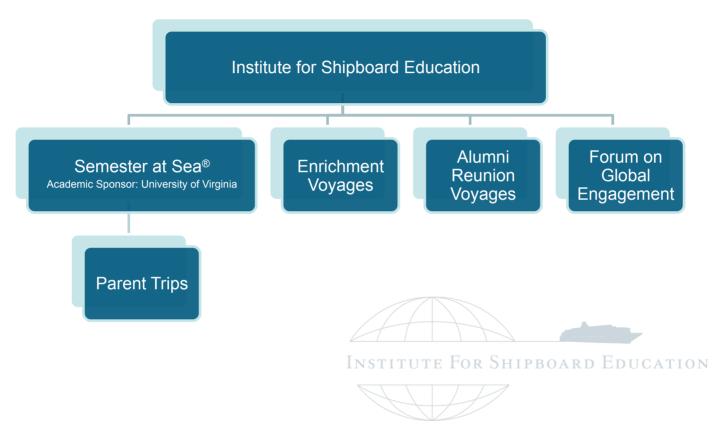




- Courses open to all majors
- Field work comprises 20 percent of grade for each course
- Transferable credit from U.Va.

COURSES





INSTITUTE FOR SHIPBOARD EDUCATION



Sample Destinations:

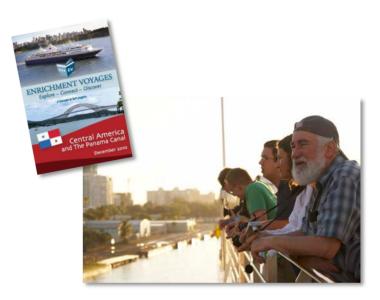
- Thailand
- Viet Nam
- Egypt
- Italy
- Turkey



PARENT TRIPS



- •10-21 days
- Open to all ages
- Not for academic credit
- Panama Canal or Amazon itineraries
- Once or twice a year



ENRICHMENT VOYAGES





- Opportunity for alumni to re-connect
- Career networking
- · Return to ship



ALUMNI REUNION VOYAGES



Sample topics:

Finance
Health
Sustainability
Diplomacy
Medicine
Religion
Gender Studies
Arts



FORUM ON GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT



FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE

Ask about:

- Financial aid
- Scholarships
- Grants
- Work Study Opportunities

AFFORDING SAS





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