

# STUDY ABROAD: Mexico

## Mexico: Policy, Development, and Trade 10 day study trip to Mexico



**JANUARY 14- 22, 2006**  
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Mexico is one of the most dynamic economies in the world. Twenty years ago Mexico was a less developed, inward looking country in deep financial crisis focused on protecting itself from its large neighbor to the North. Today, Mexico is a vibrant, outward looking member of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). It has recently replaced Japan as America's number two trading partner and has entered into multiple additional Free Trade Agreements, including the EU. With growth consistently at 3 to 4 percent, Mexico has become the world's 8th largest exporter. Mexico is a major destination for foreign direct investment. Mexico received in the first six months of 2005 foreign direct investment (FDI) US \$7463.8 million, which is 8.3% more than in the same term in 2004, according to a report from the Ministry of the Economy published in Mexican newspapers 8/28. 2006 is a Presidential election year for the country, which provides a fascinating political environment. Choose to study with us either in January when we focus more on political issues or over spring break to learn more about NAFTA and doing business in Mexico.

**PROGRAM FEE\*:** \$3,150, includes airfare. There is a maximum of 25 participants per group. Apply today.



**THE PROGRAM FEE INCLUDES:** Three credits of graduate tuition; Round-trip international airfare from the Washington DC area; Double-occupancy hotel lodging; Daily breakfast; Some lunches and dinners; In-country transportation; Excursions to Teotihuacan, Mexico City, Taxco, and Cuernavaca; Company site visits; All administrative and organizational costs in the USA; Special seminars; and Guest lecturers.

**THE PROGRAM FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE:** Some meals and spending money



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The application form is available online. Visit our website at [www.GMUpolicy.net/mexico](http://www.GMUpolicy.net/mexico).

### Application Deadlines

**POLICY GROUP: October 14, 2005**  
**COMMERCE GROUP: December 9, 2005**