

North Central College
Cardinal Destination Course Abroad
(May Term)

MOROCCO

Moroccan Culture:
Transformation and Tradition

TENTATIVE DATES

CARD 261-5

Course Description

May 10-28, 2021

Led by Prof. Mara Berkland

This is a short-term immersion course to Morocco. In this course, students will have the opportunity to apply intercultural theory and discussions of cultural change to Moroccan culture by examining cultural systems and artifacts. Via observation, interaction, and reading, students will learn about the push and pull between cultural influences, particularly those unique to colonialism (both historical and contemporary).

Itinerary Highlights

- Live with host families
- Stay in the historic Fez medina
- Explore the artisan souks of Morocco



CARDINAL DESTINATION COURSE ABROAD (MAY TERM)

A Cardinal Destination Course Abroad (CDCA) is a short-term, faculty-led, group international travel course that takes place in May Term and has linked prerequisite work.

ENROLLMENT STEPS (To participate in a CDCA, you must enroll in and successfully complete its prerequisite work.)

- Contact your academic advisor to understand how enrollment in the CDCA and the linked prerequisite work will affect your academic plan or Individualized Transition Plan (ITP).
- Contact Professor Berkland to (1) discuss the prerequisite work and (2) obtain a signed registration green slip to be submitted to the Registrar's Office for enrollment.
- Register ON MERLIN for the linked summer semester CDCA, CARD 261-5 (1 credit).

CENTER FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION (CGE) REGISTRATION

- **October 23, 2020:** Priority deadline for students to enroll in a CDCA and begin the registration process through the Center for Global Education.
- **January 15, 2021:** Final deadline for students to enroll in a CDCA and begin the registration process through the Center for Global Education.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Course and Itinerary Questions

- Professor Mara Berkland, Professor of Communication
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General CDCA Questions

- Kimberly Larsson, Executive Director, CGE
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ESTIMATED COST & PAYMENTS

\$3,400 - \$3,900 based on 16 enrolled students

- Airfare & host country transportation estimate: \$1,500
- Program fee estimate: \$1,900-\$2,400
- **NOT INCLUDED:** Meals (other than those listed in the itinerary), optional entertainment and excursions, excess baggage charges, personal items (telephone charges, laundry fees, room service, souvenirs, etc.), departure taxes (except U.S.), passport fees

CDCA TUITION

- All May Term CDCA's are worth one (1) academic credit.
- The one (1) credit tuition fee for a May Term CDCA is offset by a financial aid credit for any student enrolled full-time at North Central College during the 2021 spring semester.
- Applications for CDCA Scholarships will be available through the Center for Global Education in February 2021.
- Contact the Office of Financial Aid **in the fall semester** to inquire about financial aid options for May term courses abroad.

PROGRAM FEE

- **November 9, 2020 (priority deadline):** \$500 non-refundable deposit due to North Central College
- **January 31, 2021 (final deadline):** \$500 non-refundable deposit due to North Central College
- **March 2021:** Program fee balance billed to your student account

AIRFARE

- **February 2021:** \$500 non-refundable airfare deposit billed to your student account
- **March 2021:** Balance of airfare billed to your student account

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

- Refund schedules for airfare depend on individual airlines; faculty leaders will inform all participants of the relevant deadlines and policies.
- If an enrolled student withdraws from the CDCA **before March 15, 2021**, then 50% of the remaining balance of the program fee will be refunded.
- If an enrolled student withdraws from the CDCA **after March 15, 2021**, then 100% of the program fee is forfeited.
- **Successful completion of the prerequisite work/linked course is REQUIRED** for participation in the May Term international travel section.
- Withdrawing from a CDCA **does not** withdraw you from the prerequisite work/linked course.
- If you withdraw from the prerequisite work/linked course, you will be withdrawn from the CDCA (international travel) and you will be responsible for any associated fees (airline or program fees) as outlined in the Cancellation and Refund Policy above.
- If you **fail** the prerequisite work/linked course, you will be withdrawn from the CDCA and responsible for any associated fees (airline or program fees) as outlined in the Cancellation and Refund Policy above.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- North Central College provides all students enrolled in a CDCA a primary emergency medical insurance policy for the course dates abroad.
- Every student participant is required to abide by the College policies as outlined in the North Central College Student Handbook and by the expectations outlined in the course syllabus. If, in the judgement of a faculty/staff leader, a student has violated the course expectations or College policy as stated in the Student Handbook, the student may be sent home at his/her own expense. In such circumstances, a student's parents may also be notified and additional disciplinary action may be taken by the College upon the student's return to the United States.
- All CDCA enrolled students will be required to attend a pre-departure information session.