

Global Citizenship

CIT 420 (1 credit)

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Tentative Travel Dates: January 4-11 | Estimated Travel Fee \$3,800

DAY 1 | Havana

Flight from Boston to Havana. Meet your travel director and transfer to your hotel in Havana with a stop in the Plaza de la Revolución on the way. Dinner is in a local restaurant. In the evening enjoy a beautiful walk around Old Havana.

DAY 2 | Havana

This morning enjoy a guided visit of Old Havana. This was the core of the city founded in the 16th century by the Spaniards as a stopping point for Spanish galleons traveling between Europe and the New World. Group lunch included. In the afternoon you will visit a local organic farm to meet with local farmers at a farming community and engage in dialogue with them about their lifestyle, sustainable farming practices and economic development. Dinner.

DAY 3 | Cienfuegos

Today you drive to the beautiful Spanish colonial town of Cienfuegos. Lunch will be included. In the afternoon upon arrival there will be a walking tour of Cienfuegos known as the "Pearl of the South" because of its beauty. Dinner. In the evening there will be a people to people musical activity.

DAY 4 | Cienfuegos

This morning you visit the beautiful local botanical gardens where an expert will introduce us to the local flora on the island. Afterwards return to town to meet with the local members of the UNEAC (National Union of Writers and Artists of Cuba). Lunch included. Afterwards we will visit the workshops of a couple of local artists. Dinner. In the evening there will be a people to people activity.

Sample Itinerary

DAY 5 | Pinar del Rio

Drive towards the Western part of the island to the region known as Pinar del Río. On the way you will stop in Cojímar, the inspiration for Hemingway's "The old Man and the see". You will see the town and the nearby house where he lived. After an included lunch continue to Pinar del Río for dinner and overnight.

DAY 6 | Pinar del Rio

Spend the day visiting the beautiful province of Pinar del Rio. Visit a tobacco factory then take a panoramic drive through the Viñales valley with its imposing lime stone rocks and visit the little village of Viñales. Meet a tobacco farmer in his plantation who will tell you everything about tobacco growing. Lunch included. In the afternoon visit the Indian cave "Cueva del Indio" on a short boat ride followed by a stop at the 'prehistoric wall' in Dos Hermanas. Dinner and overnight in Pinar del Río.

DAY 7 | Havana

Depart for Havana. Upon arrival drive to the house of José Fuster, the "Picasso of the Caribbean". Lunch on your own. Farewell dinner included. In the evening visit the Fabrica de Artes - a cultural space where unknown playwrights, artists, jazz musicians, actors, and media artists can showcase their talent for an audience of tourists, intellectuals, university students, and youths.

DAY 8 | Fly to Boston

Return flight to Boston.