THIS SUMMER STUDY HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICE ISSUES IN THAILAND

Course begins in San Diego May 16 and moves to Thailand for field work on May 19 and returns to the US on May 31.

GENS 450 & SW 496: INTERNATIONAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

This course satisfies the SDSU Explorations (Social and Behavioral Sciences), CHHS International Experience requirements

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The San Diego State University School of Social Work in collaboration with the Faculty of Social Administration at Thammasat University in Bangkok Thailand is pleased to announce a study abroad program this summer in Thailand. The program will give participants the exciting opportunity to see health and social services issues in an international context.

The study tour will commence with four days of study in Bangkok, the capital and cultural center of Thailand. Participants also stay and study for 8 days at the Thammasat University Learning Center in the seaside resort of Pattaya, and spend 1 day/night in a Thai village in the adjacent Rayong province.

Specific Course Content: Faculty from Thammasat University, one of the most prestigious Universities in Thailand, will deliver workshops on Thai culture, social problems, health and human services issues. Content will be presented on the major global issues that are changing the face of health and human services around the world, such as human trafficking, international child welfare issues, HIV/AIDS, poverty,
substance abuse, mental health, refugees, migrants, global gender issues, community development etc.. The core of the study will occur in field visitations to a variety of health and social service agencies, tours of cultural and historic sites, and the opportunity to stay overnight with a Thai family in a rural village. Participants will be able to interact with Thai health and human service professionals and learn about their work.

In addition to the above course content, here are some examples of the cultural, social, and recreational opportunities:

- Bangkok: Wat Phra Keow (The center of Thai Buddhism) Grand Palace, Wats Po (Temple of the Reclining Buddha) and Arun (Temple of Dawn), the ancient city of Ayuddaya, the Summer and Teak Palaces.
- Pattaya: Nong Prue Elephant Park, National Parks, and miles of beaches to explore.

**PROGRAM FEE AND COSTS:** The program fee of $2,436 includes registration, tuition for 3 credit units; housing; welcoming dinner and reception in Bangkok; all meals in Pattaya, and most meals in Bangkok; transportation to all study sites, socio-cultural excursions and activities; course specific field trips; and Thai/English speaking guides and instructors. **NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare to and from Bangkok, passports, mandated health insurance, some meals in Bangkok, and personal spending money. **LODGING:** In Bangkok we will stay at the New Siam Hotel (double occupancy). The hotel may be viewed on line. In Pattaya students will stay at the Citin Garden Resort (double occupancy). In Rayong students will stay with a Thai family. Program fees cover your stay in Thailand. **AFRARE:** Flights from Los Angeles are expected to cost about $1200-$1250. The cost from San Diego is estimated at $1400-$1500. Fares are affected by when you buy a ticket. Assistance with arranging airplane reservations will be provided.

If interested contact Dr. Loring Jones at ljones@mail.sdsu.edu or 619-594-6508 for further information.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**
Associate Students Study Abroad Scholarship. Application Closes in early March 2016. Financial Aid is also available. For additional information, visit: http://www.chhs.sdsu.edu/international/finances/travelscholarships

*Application and $800 deposit due March 15, 2015, $800 due April 1, 2016, and $836 due at the time of course registration April 15-25, 2016.
**Attendance at a mandatory orientation on April 22 (9:00 AM-12:00 PM is required.
Students can find the application (available on October) by visiting the following link: neverstoplearning.net/studyabroad