

# IMMERSE YOUR STUDENTS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH



## DESTINATIONS WITH SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH STUDENTS IN MIND

**Mexico:** For a truly unique experience, you could bring your students to Mexico City in January to witness the migration of the Monarch Butterflies. You can also study the engineering behind ancient Aztec and Mayan ruins. The challenges of environmental threats, especially to water, are a topic for exploration. Working with four Catholic universities, we offer journeys to Mexico City and to Merida. Local experts provide lectures on the history of Mexico. There are opportunities to explore the rich cultures of indigenous communities, in history and today. Visits to migrant shelters and orphanages provide service learning opportunities. The US State Department rates Mexico City on the same level as London for safety, and gives Merida the highest safety rating.

**Tuscany, Italy:** Your students could see firsthand not only Roman engineering, but also the work of medieval and renaissance builders. Your group can visit the mines from where Michelangelo selected his marble. There are opportunities to learn about sustainable agriculture in winemaking. Italy is extremely innovative with geothermal energy. The host organization is the University of Detroit Mercy's Pagnotta Campus in the medieval hilltop city of Volterra. Groups also visit Florence, Siena, and Pisa. Rome and Assisi can be added.

**Saint Louis:** There are a thousand years of examples of engineering in and around Saint Louis. They begin with the mounds built by indigenous people, all the way through the construction of the Gateway Arch. Between, you have the shaping of the Mississippi, a 150-year-old bridge that spans it, and a world-class basilica.

**Kenya:** Imagine how inspired your students could be for protecting our environment after a safari. They will also be inspired by the people who live among those great animals through providing service volunteering in a Catholic school.

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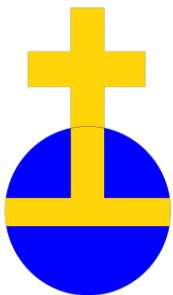
# STEM



# GO DEEPER

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**EDUCATIONAL  
TRAVEL FOCUSING  
ON JUSTICE  
THROUGH A  
CATHOLIC LENS**



**Would you like to take a group of college students on a journey either for academic credit or as a service experience, and you're not sure where to start?** *Saint Christopher Journeys* can take care of everything for you—collecting travel documents and fees, arranging transportation and accommodations, providing materials to build a syllabus for your class, helping you organize pre-journey and post-journey meetings, providing materials for prayer and reflection, and more. All you need to do is recruit ten students. If your school will cover your costs, your students pay less, and group size can be less than ten.

**How is Saint Christopher Journeys different from other study abroad companies?** The purpose of Saint Christopher Journeys is: *Educational Travel Focusing on Justice through a Catholic Lens*. On a Saint Christopher Journey, you will visit museums and shrines, just like you would with another organization. You will *also* visit faith-based schools, orphanages, refugee shelters, hospitals, and other social services doing justice in their communities. In addition, your group will be provided with resources for reflection and social analysis informed by *Catholic Social Teaching*. On your journey, your students will do some direct service with those in need. In short, on a Saint Christopher Journey, **you go deeper**.

**What if not all my students are Catholic...and I'm not Catholic?** The agencies with which we work for site visits are all faith-based, and we can include Protestant, Jewish, and Muslim sites if you like. Also, we provide materials for reflection, but it is up to you which you use and how you use them.

Estimated fees based on minimum ten paying students. A customized budget is made for each group, and number of students can vary.	Student fee if leader fee is free with 10 students	Student fee if leader fee paid by college	Leader fee to college
Mexico City, 1 week	\$2,750	\$2,500	\$1,950
Mexico City, 2-week	\$4,000	\$3,650	\$2,925
Merida, 1-week, homestay & at-home meals	\$2,550	\$2,325	\$1,825
Merida, 2-week, homestay & at-home meals	\$3,400	\$3,100	\$2,500
Merida, 1-week, hotel and restaurant meals	\$2,650	\$2,400	\$1,875
Merida, 2-week, hotel and restaurant meals	\$3,675	\$3,350	\$2,675
Havana, 1-week	\$2,425	\$2,250	\$1,650
Havana, 2-week	\$3,600	\$3,300	\$2,500
Cuba cross-island 1-week extension	\$1,625	\$1,425	\$1,175
Kenya, 12-day plus travel days	\$4,250	\$3,800	\$3,800
Kenya, 19-day plus travel days	\$5,650	\$5,000	\$5,200
Tuscany, 1-week	\$4,000	\$3,600	\$3,200
Tuscany, 2-week	\$5,400	\$4,800	\$4,200
Oxford, 1-week	\$3,900	\$3,550	\$3,050
Oxford, 2-week	\$5,850	\$5,300	\$4,550
Tolton/Black Lives Matter, 3-day (no transport)	\$500	\$450	\$350
Tolton/Black Lives Matter, 1-week (no transport)	\$1,000	\$900	\$700
Chicago, 3-day (no transportation included)	\$350	\$300	\$250
Chicago, 1-week (no transportation included)	\$775	\$700	\$550
Memphis, 3-day, (no transportation provided)	\$375	\$325	\$250
Memphis, 1-week (no transportation provided)	\$700	\$650	\$500
Louisville, 3-day, (no transportation provided)	\$400	\$375	\$300
Louisville, 1-week (no transportation provided)	\$800	\$750	\$600
Over the Rainbow, 3-day (no transportation)	\$200	\$175	\$125
Over the Rainbow, 1-week (no transportation)	\$350	\$300	\$250

If your university or sponsoring institution pays for the cost of the group leader, the fee for your student participants decreases significantly, and the minimum number of students reduces from ten to five. The fee for that group leader is also reduced because overhead and charity are not charged on the leader's fee.

Fees include airfare from Midwest and Eastern U.S. airports, ground transportation, health/travel insurance, shared-room housing, meals, and museums. There can be some slight variations in cost (up or down) based on particulars of dates and accommodations. The price is finalized before your organization enters into a plan with *Saint Christopher Journeys*. Keep in mind that if your students are earning credit, they might be able to include the cost of travel in their financial aid package.

**Want to purchase your own flights? Already have a group travel insurance policy through your school? We can adjust to fit your needs and your budget!**

**10% of the student fees are donated to local charities in the cities visited. (5% for Italy and UK)**

Saint Christopher Journeys are restricted to adults 18 and older who are legally self-responsible. Journeys do involve walking on unpaved paths, using stairs, long rides and flights, limited menus, and not always with air conditioning. You need to keep these things in mind before choosing to make a journey.

**How does a student journey differ from an adult journey?** The student journeys are a bit longer, and they may involve some direct service. Accommodations are more basic, but still safe and comfortable. For faculty/staff or alumni/ae groups, take a look at the adult group journeys. They might be a better fit.