INTERNATIONAL SITE

LOCATION: Nyeri, Kenya

St. Mary’s Boys School
P.O. Box 588
Nyeri, Kenya

St. Mary’s, a Catholic day & boarding boys school, is committed to offering an affordable, quality education to all by instilling a character-building work-ethic that produces a young man who is an excellent role-model. Located in Nyeri and run by the De La Salle Christian Brothers, the school has a population of 500 students in the traditional high school and 200 in the Child Rescue Centre and vocational skills training program.

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# OF LSI STUDENTS: 3-4

SERVICE WORK: Students would work with boys/young men between the ages of 5-21 at an orphanage, regular school, and vocational school. They would tutor, help older students learn computer skills, play and coach basketball, and make home visits. They may also assist with the Lasallian Youth program, assisting with service projects such as cleaning up neighborhoods and playing/organizing games for children.

QUALIFICATIONS OR SKILLS REQUESTED: None
ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF COURSE: $3,100
Estimate based on the following costs:

- $210.00 – Materials fee (including $35 insurance fee)
- $1360.00 – Airfare
- $360.00 – Room and Board ($15 per day for 24 days; Transportation included)
- $1170.00 – Excursions, Cultural Activities, Trip Leader costs

Please note:

- Most LSI costs are estimates, and may vary depending on flight costs at the time airline tickets are purchased, total days/nights stay, etc.
- Additional costs not included in estimate above may include: passport and visa fees, exchange rate fees, vaccination costs, personal souvenirs, small thank you gifts you may want to purchase for hosts, etc.
- Approximate travel dates from SFO: January 4-30, 2016

VISA/PASSPORT:

- A valid passport is required and must have at least 2 blank pages and validity for 6 months beyond the end of intended stay
- A visa is required

VACCINATIONS:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend that travelers to any foreign country are up to date on their routine vaccinations. These include measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine, diphtheria-pertussis-tetanus vaccine, varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, and your yearly flu shot.

In addition, travelers to Kenya are advised by the CDC to get the following vaccines because there is a risk of these diseases:

- Hepatitis A - CDC recommends this vaccine because you can get hepatitis A through contaminated food or water in Kenya, regardless of where you are eating or staying.
- Polio - You may need a polio vaccine before your trip to Kenya. If you were vaccinated against polio as a child but have never had an additional dose as an adult, you should get an additional dose. Adults need only one additional dose in their lives. If you were not vaccinated as a child, talk to your doctor about getting vaccinated.
- Typhoid - You can get typhoid through contaminated food or water in Kenya. CDC recommends this vaccine for most travelers, especially if you are staying with friends or relatives, visiting smaller cities or rural areas, or if you are an adventurous eater.
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Complete information can be found on the CDC’s “Heath Information for Travelers to Kenya” webpage that can be found at:


ACCOMODATIONS:
Students will stay in a guest house that can accommodate 2 students in each room. There are two restrooms to be shared by the students. Transportation will be by vans with a local driver. Students will share meals with the Brothers, and the meals will be provided by a cook. A laundry service is provided.

RISKS/EMERGENCIES:
Nyeri is a safe location and so there are no particular risks. St. Mary’s Boys School is in very close proximity to a local hospital.

COMMUNICATION:
Internet access is available at both the school and guest house.

COURSE WORKLOAD:
• Requirements as listed on the syllabus.
• Includes four required fall seminars and possible additional meeting for further information on this particular location.

BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS
Students must respect the following guidelines:
• A high level of maturity is expected of all LSI students
• Be aware of norms and expectations regarding appropriate clothing
• Students must never go out alone
• Observe appropriate behavior when working with boys
• Students should expect to participate in community life including daily prayer/reflection, shared meals (if community members take turns cooking, you may be asked to cook!) and other community activities
• A full orientation will be given upon students’ arrival

CULTURAL AWARENESS:
Students should be aware that in Kenya people tend to be polarized in their opinions about and loyalty towards various tribes and the government. Therefore, students should refrain from making any comments or remarks about Kenyan politics.

FOOD: The main foods will be rice, bread, corn meal, and spaghetti.