

Details

Dates: On Campus: May 15-19; on the road May 22-26, 2023*

Credit Hours: 3

Instructor: Dr. Marquita Smith, Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs and Associate Professor of Journalism; and Vanessa Charlot, Assistant Professor of Creative Multimedia

Cost: \$750 plus tuition

Application Deadline: April 6, 2023

Students will:

- Learn to read and understand both the nature and function of social movements
- Develop Social Movement Literacy to recognize, discuss, participate in, and critique social movements
- Intelligently critique the ideologies, politics, motivations, and tactics within social movements
- Travel the Mississippi Blues Trail to apply lessons learned to the history of the Blues and Civil Rights

- Visit such sites as the BB King Museum, Delta Blues Museum, and The GRAMMY Museum Mississippi
- Produce a media product that highlights the Mississippi Blues trail and the voice that it gave to social movements, including Civil Rights efforts

Dates/Location

Students will meet from May 15th-19th in Oxford followed by travel as a group from May 21st-26th. During the travel portion of the course, students will be transported roundtrip from Oxford through the Mississippi Delta to various sites.

Costs

The Study USA program fee is \$750. Included in the program fee are housing, roundtrip group transportation from Oxford, site admissions, and select group meals. Excluded from the program fee are most meals and personal spending money.

Who should go?

This course was created for journalism and IMC students, although it is open to any student who wants to become more literate about social movements. Students' media projects will be judged based on the individual student's development as a journalist, so non-majors should not be wary of applying for the course. There are no prerequisites to enroll in IMC 580.

Travel

All travel for this course outside of Oxford is included. Students will travel via van as a class to sites in the Mississippi Delta.

*Itinerary and class dates are subject to change. Please verify specific dates with instructor and confirm that the course has adequate enrollment to make before making travel arrangements.

