Academic Courses

Stellenbosch University currently offers 4 programmes during June/July. The academic programme consists of lectures, group discussions and field trips, and is taught by Stellenbosch University faculty and other South African experts.

GENERAL ELECTIVE PROGRAMME

Students following the General programme have the option to enrol for 1 - 3 courses during their period of study in Stellenbosch. Students can choose one course from each of the Elective groups.

- **Elective 1 (17 June – 27 June 2022):**
  - Course 1: Introduction to South Africa’s Political History
    - Field of Science: Political Science and History

- **Elective 2 (21 June – 5 July 2022):**
  - Course 2: Bio-Diversity: Plants for the People in the Western Cape
    - Field of Study: Botany
  - Course 3: ‘Visual Narratives and South-North Interactions’
    - Field of Study: Art and Media
  - Course 4: Introduction to Muslim History, Society and Culture in Cape Town
    - Field of Study: Sociology and Religious Studies
  - Course 5: EQUITY & LEADERSHIP IN THE GLOBAL CLASSROOM
    - Field of study: Political Science
  - Course 6: Photography
    - Field of Study: Media

- **Elective 3 (3 July – 15 July 2022):**
  - Course 7: Transitional Justice
    - Field of Study: Political Science
  - Course 8: Present Imperfect: Negotiating Identities in Film and Literature
    - Field of Study: Film and Literature Studies
  - Course 9: Understanding HIV in South Africa: A Health & Social Justice Perspective
    - Field of Study: HIV/AIDS Management
  - Course 10: China in Africa
    - Field of Study: International Relations and Chinese Studies
  - Course 11: Biomedical Engineering – Designing solutions for African health
    - Field of Study: Engineering
**Date of Programme:** 17 June – 15 July 2022 (All 3 Electives) (Or only attend selected Elective)

**Academic Weight:** 2 US Credits / 4 ECTS Credits (Per Elective)
(Students who choose to do the full 3.5 week Programme with all 3 Electives will receive 6 US Credits/ 12 ECTS Credits.)

**Top up Credits:** All Electives have an optional 1 US Credit/2 ECTS Credits Top Up option.

**Language:** English

**Requirements:**
- Minimum GPA Requirement of 2.8

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**Global Service Learning**

GSL is a reading and writing intensive, experiential learning, trans-disciplinary course. The course has theoretical and practical components aimed at enabling social impact and transformation. It is a collaborative venture with local schools and non-profit organisations, located in historically disadvantaged communities and it provides a valuable means of promoting internationalisation.

**Date of Programme:** 17 June – 15 July 2022

**Academic Weight:** 8 US Credits / 16 ECTS Credits
(Optional Top up of 1 US/2 ECTS Credits available)

**Language:** English

**Requirements:**
- Minimum GPA Requirement of 2.8

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**Doing Business in Southern Africa**

The course will give students an acute knowledge of the development challenges facing Southern African countries and understand the growth of emerging Southern African markets and identify future growth potential. Students will have the ability to discuss and debate current and future policy issues in a development country context. Furthermore they will get awareness of the additional social, environmental and ethical considerations for African businesses.

**Date of Programme:** 17 June – 15 July 2022

**Academic Weight:** 7 US Credits / 14 ECTS Credits
(Optional Top up of 2 US/4 ECTS Credits available)

**Language:** English

**Requirements:**
- Minimum GPA Requirement of 2.8
**PUBLIC HEALTH**

This course introduces students to the health care system in South Africa and takes a thematic approach. The course consists of class room instruction, readings and presentations which are integrated with an experiential component that include exposures to health care facilities in the Western Cape Province where students make observations and/or participate in planned activities on site.

**Date of Programme:** 17 June – 15 July 2022  
**Academic Weight:** 7 US Credits / 14 ECTS Credits  
(Optional Top up of 2 US/4 ECTS Credits available)  
**Language:** English  
**Requirements:**  
- Minimum GPA Requirement of 2.8

**Evening and Social Programme**

- The summer school evening programme includes film screenings, traditional South African barbecues, karaoke, “sokkie” dances, dinner parties and many more.  
- The academic programme is supported by a well-developed social programme consisting of day and weekend excursions to places of historical and touristic importance.  
- Places that will be visited and are included in the programme fee are Robben Island, Table Mountain, Cape Point and a West Coast weekend away. (For the General Programme these trips are dependent on the Elective you choose).

**Important Dates for 2022**

**Final Application Deadline:** 15 April 2022

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