

**PEREGRINACION AZTLAN-TENOCHTITLAN-
CHICHIMETLALLI**
Transformar Summer Leadership Institute
Study Abroad Program
Summer 2018
May 13- 26, 2018

Overview

For hundred of years, the myth of Aztlan have engulfed people who have not only pursue an understanding of the migration story of the tribes that migrated from the North (Aztlan) to the Central Valley in Mexico (Tenochtitlan), but also the deep connections that the U.S. Southwest has with Mexico. Many scholars have written essays that talk about this myth and about these connections, including issues about identity, place, and belonging (Anaya, Lomeli, & DelaMadrid at al, 2017)¹. This study abroad program aims at taking students to some of the pueblos and communities along what is known to be the route that was followed. On this route students will visit hills and Pueblos that still have collective memories about those who travelled along this route to the Central Valley. This program also promotes better understanding of Mexican Indigenous culture, identity and ancient archaeoastronomical places like Teotihuacan, Tula, and other archaeological sites along this route as a way of understanding the level of development achieved by Mesoamerican cultures. In addition, students will learn about the ancient connections that People from Central Mexico have with New Mexico. This trip highlights historical places along the Aztlan route from the State of Guanajuato to Mexico City. Students will visit and stay in Indigenous communities along the Aztlan-Tenochtitlan-Chichimetlalli route. Emphasis will be placed on visiting historical places like Xicuco, Tezca, Teotihuacan, and Tula. In these places students will learn from the local population about the stories about those who migrated from Aztlan to Tenochtitlan. In addition, participants will visit museums in Mexico City, Diego Rivera murals in Mexico City and in Texcoco. The group will visit what used to be the residence of the poet Netzahualcoyotl in Texcoco. Along the way participants will visit colonial cities and traditional communities. Students will also be given a brief introduction about Archaeoastronomy by visiting the archaeological site of the Cañada de la Virgen in San Miguel de Allende. Dr. Quiroz, from the Museo de Archaeoastronomy, will use the pyramid at la Cañada de la Virgen to teach students how these places used to be astronomical sites that marked the passage of the Moon, the Sun, and Venus. In addition, participants will participate in the 3rd Indigenous Student Forum organized by El Centro de la Raza, Universidad

¹ Rudolfo Anaya, Francisco A. Lomeli, & Enrique R. LaMadrid, (Editors) (2017). *Aztlan on the Chicano Homeland*. University of New Mexico Press and Expanded Edition (2017)

Autonoma del Estado de Hidalgo and the Indigenous Women Network RIDECO. This event will take place within the Feria Intercultural of the Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Hidalgo on May 14-15, 2018. This program is open to undergraduate, graduate, and community members. This program starts on May 13 (travel day) and ends on May 26th (return day). This program is an extension of the El Centro Transformar Program, which focuses on exposing students to Social Entrepreneurship, identity, and new leadership.

Learning objectives

1. To learn about the stories, places, and people located in what is thought to be the legendary route of Aztlan
2. To learn about the cultures that emerge in the Central Valley of Mexico
3. To revisit ancient myths and contemporary stories associated to the indigenous peoples of Mexico

Reading materials

De Aztlan a Tenochtitlan: Historia de una peregrinacion. Maria Castañeda de la Paz. Universidad de Copenhagen. Internet source: https://www.academia.edu/9323712/De_Aztlan_a_Tenochtitlan._Historia_d_e_una_peregrinaci%C3%B3n

Selected readings from Aztlan: Essays on the Chicano Homeland, Revised and Expanded Edition (Querencias Series). Rudolfo Anaya (Editor), Francisco A. Lomeli (Editor), & Enrique LaMadrid (Editor).

Program cost

The cost of this program is \$1,203.00

Itinerary

Day 1: Sunday May 13, 2018

Flight ALBUQUERQUE-MEX - AA5AM-11:30

Activities

- Meet with Maestro Arturo – learn about el juego *macuilxochitl (patolli): El juego de la vida de los mexicanos*
- Visit el zocalo, la alameda, y el bellas artes

Lodging – Marlowe

Day 2: Monday May 14 2018

- Visitar el museo de antropologia e historia
- Visitar el museo del templo mayor
- Visitar los murales del INAH
- Visita Palacio Nacional (Murales de Diego Rivera)

- Visita Secretaria de Educación Publica (Murales de Diego Rivera)

Lodging – Marlowe

Day 3: Tuesday May 15 2018 – Leave early morning

- Visita espacio antigua orilla del lago de Texcoco (Botadero de Bergantines que asediaron Tenochtitlan)
- Visita zona arqueológica Teotihuacán
- Recorrido Pachuca, Centro Histórico (in the later afternoon)

Lodging To be assigned by UAEH

Day 4 -5: Wednesday and Thursday May 16-17, 2018

- Feria Intercultural
- Foro Estudiantil Indigena

Day 6: Friday May 18 2018

- Visita Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Hidalgo
- Reunion Red de mujeres RIDECO
- Reunion Programa de Emprendimiento Social UAEH
- Traslado Pachuca-Tula (Tardé)

Lodging Tula: Real Catedral

Day 7: Saturday May 19 2018

- Visita zona arqueológica Tula (mañana)
- Traslado Tula-Tezontepec (Mediodía)
- Visita localidad Trancas cerro Xicuco
- Tezontepec-Mixquiahuala (Tardé)
- Visita localidad Tunititlan cerro Texca
- Traslado Mixquiahuala-Chilcuautila (Tardé)
- Visita balneario aguas termales Tlaco

Lodging Tlacotalpilco

Day 8: Sunday May 20 2018

- Traslado Chilcuautila-Chapantongo (mañana)
- Visita localidad Zimapantongo cerro Hualtepec
- Traslado Chapantongo-Huichapan (Tardé)

Pernocta Huichapan

Day 9: Monday May 21 2018

- Visita Pinturas Rupestres Paraje Boyhé
- Visita zona arqueológica Sabina Grande
- Traslado Huichapan-Tecozautla (Mediodía)
- Visita zona arqueológica Pañhu
- Visita balneario aguas termales Geiser

Pernocta Tecozautla

Day 10: Tuesday May 22 2018

- Traslado Tecozautla-Tequisquiapan (Mañana)
- Visita Bodegas de Vino La redonda
- Traslado Tequisquiapan – Bernal (Tardé)
- Visita localidad de Bernal
- Pernocta Bernal (Tentativamente Bernal, sino Tequisquiapan)

Day 11: Wednesday May 23 2018

- Visita tentativa Peña de Bernal
- Traslado Bernal-Querétaro Capital (Mediodía)
- Recorrido Centro Histórico, Querétaro Capital
- Visita Cerro de Sangremal
- Recorrido Centro Histórico, Querétaro Capital

Pernocta Querétaro Capital

Day 12: Thursday May 24 2018

- Visita zona arqueológica del Cerrito
- Traslado Querétaro Capital-San Miguel de Allende (Tardé)
- Recorrido Centro Histórico, San Miguel de Allende

Pernocta San Miguel de Allende

Day 13: Friday May 25 2018

- Visita zona arqueológica Cañada de la Virgen
- Traslado San Miguel de Allende- CDMX (Madrugada)

Pernocta Mexico

Day 14: Saturday May 26

- Recorrido Centro Histórico CDMX
- Recorrido Centro Historico Coyoacan
- Mercado la ciudadela
- Tepeyac: La Virgen de Guadalupe

Pernocta Metropol

Day 15: Saturday May 27

Vuelo CDMX-DALLAS-ALBUQUERQUE

Map

