

OSEA's MISSION

The Open School of Ethnography and Anthropology is a non-degree school "without walls" providing programs in México for undergrads, graduate students, scholars, and researchers.

OSEA's SPECIALIZATION

We specialize in a diverse range of on-site interactive learning "in the field" and support individual research in the areas of Anthropology, Latin American Studies, and cultural studies focused fields in the Humanities, Social Sciences and the Arts.

OSEA provides participants with a way to attain out-of-classroom educational objectives with expert guidance and innovative learning strategies. We support individual research projects.



OSEA's PROGRAMS ARE IDEAL FOR

UNDERGRADUATES seeking study abroad experience and learning among the Maya people of México;

GRADUATE STUDENTS seeking advanced, on-site training and experience in the design and practice of research; and

SCHOLARS and **ADVANCED STUDENTS** who need an escape from routine to complete their writing projects in a collaborative workshop setting.



OSEA Courses are Accredited by the Facultad de Ciencias Antropológicas of the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán (www.uady.mx/sitios/antropol/index.html)



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Since 1985, Castañeda has conducted ethnographic research in Yucatán on Maya culture and identity as these emerge at the intersections between anthropology, tourism, nation-building, and Maya community. In addition to his ethnographic study, *In the Museum of Maya Culture* (University of Minnesota Press, 1995) he has co-produced an award-winning ethnographic film on tourism and new age spiritualism, titled, *Incidents of Travel in Chichén Itzá* (DER, 1997). He has taught anthropology at several US universities and from 2002–2003 he was a Fulbright Scholar working in Mexico. Castañeda also works across disciplinary boundaries to develop alternative research practices. His recent publications include essays in *Critique of Anthropology* on the history of anthropology, *American Ethnologist* on modern Maya art of Chichén Itzá, *Journal of Latin American Anthropology* on Maya ethnicity and identity in Yucatán, and *Ethnohistory* on Yucatec Maya social movements. He is currently writing on the theory and practice of ethnography and fieldwork.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PROGRAM INFORMATION, DATES, AND APPLICATION MATERIALS

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(online journal on ethnographic fieldwork)

www.interviewforum.com

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Anthropology, Ethnography, and Fieldwork Methods

11 WEEK PROGRAM: JANUARY 4–MARCH 23, 2005
Based in the Yucatec Maya community of Pisté and
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*Open to Undergraduates in sophomore year and higher and to
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- Seminars on Maya Anthropology, Ethnography, and Fieldwork Methods
- Students Design and Conduct Independent Research with Close Supervision by OSEA staff
- Conversational Spanish and Yucatec Maya for Ethnographic Field Work
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Concurrent Enrollment with the University of Washington is available. Inquire about concurrent enrollment at your university. **Program is transcribed by the Facultad de Ciencias Antropológicas of the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán.**

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 1-year college-level Spanish
- GPA of 3.0 or higher

PROGRAM DETAILS

The Winter Quarter Program is conducted in the Mérida, the capital city of the state of Yucatán, México, and the Maya town of Pisté, near the archaeological tourism site of Chichén Itzá.

The Winter Quarter Program provides undergraduates and graduate students the opportunity to have an in-depth field experience based in cultural immersion and independent research. OSEA staff provides close supervision and guidance to help students design and conduct independent research using ethnographic fieldwork methods.

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Fieldwork Research Seminar: Fieldwork Forum and
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Spoken Spanish for Ethnographic Fieldwork
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Ask about Concurrent Enrollment opportunities at your home institution.

Concurrent Enrollment allows you to retain your full time student status and privileges at your home institution while participating in OSEA. By paying a small fee to your study abroad office, the courses appear on your regular transcript from your home university. By using concurrent enrollment you avoid the process of having course credits transferred and you keep your financial aid and full time status.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 16, 2004