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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.

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- Seminars on Maya Anthropology, Ethnography, and Fieldwork Methods
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- Minimum 1-year college-level Spanish
- GPA of 3.0 or higher

PROGRAM DETAILS
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