



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

J-term on the Hill has been continuously offered for more than 20 years in the Hilltop area, affording students the opportunity to work side-by-side with other volunteers and with agency staff who serve poor, hungry, and homeless people in an area of constant change in Tacoma. While the Hilltop is no longer the highest crime area in Tacoma, it remains the place when new immigrants seek initial homes, it is rich in diversity, and it is home to people with complex needs and challenging life situations. Students test how their own notions about poverty, homelessness, employment and immigration are born out in the lives of the people they serve. The course explores the interconnection of community, poverty and thoughtful service.



January Term on the Hilltop

Tacoma



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS*

- Learning about the Tacoma community on campus
- Volunteering in agencies that address problems of homelessness, hunger, employment, and health care in each four day week of service
- Participating in debriefings by speakers
- Journaling and writing a final essay about the role of service in your life

*May be subject to change

Educating to achieve a just, healthy, sustainable and peaceful world, both locally and globally.

ACADEMICS

- SOCW 175 (A, SO)/491 -- 4 credits
- Prerequisite: NONE

Program fee will be finalized by April 1, 2015. Check the Wang Center/Study Away Website for final pricing.

Fees generally include the following (check website for more details):

- Ground Transportation
- Some meals

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- February 20, 2015 - Application available
- April 20, 2015 - Application deadline (\$50 non-refundable application fee)
- May 8, 2015 - Notifications sent
- May 22, 2015 - Confirmation deadline (\$300 confirmation deposit)

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