



# AT A GLANCE KINGSTON, JAMAICA

Jamaica's famous beaches and resorts are only a part of the life and culture of this mountainous island nation. Kingston, the national capital, is a vibrant, colorful, yet challenging city which displays in full Jamaica's connections by culture to Africa, by geography to the Americas, and by history to the British Commonwealth.

Students will spend a semester in Kingston, living with a Jamaican family; studying Jamaican and Caribbean history, literature, and social issues; serving 15-20 hours per week meeting human needs in a local agency; and exploring Jamaica and Jamaican culture through field trips. The volunteer service immerses them in the culture and deepens their understanding of Jamaican society in a way that goes beyond that experienced in traditional study abroad programs and by tourists.



- Curriculum Focus: Jamaican and Caribbean history, literature and society
- Local University Partner: University of Technology
- Language of Instruction: English
- Credits: 12 per semester/9 per summer
- Housing: Homestay
- Service Opportunities: tutoring; teaching basic literacy and coping skills; health care clinics and health education; drug abuse programs; micro-business and women's projects
- Academic Excursions: guided field trips to rural villages and towns to experience tropical agriculture and indigenous craft enterprises