



# AT A GLANCE KOLKATA, INDIA

India is not just a country; it is a sub-continent. The diversity of cultures, languages, religions, classes, and castes is immense. One of the most ancient of civilizations, India struggles today with all the issues and concerns of the contemporary world.

In India, IPSL offers intensive, 3-week sessions in January and August, as well as fall and spring semester programs which begin with the 3-week session. All students begin the program in Kolkata, serving at Mother Teresa's Homes, providing care and support to destitute children, women, men, and the ill, or in other service placements if they choose. The volunteer service immerses them in the culture and deepens their understanding of Indian society in a way that goes beyond that experienced in traditional study abroad programs.

- Curriculum Focus: History, literature, religions of India
- Local University Partner: Loreto College and the Institute of Cultural Studies
- Language of Instruction: English
- Credits: 15 per semester/6 for summer and J-term
- Housing: Homestay
- Service Opportunities: rehabilitation centers and literacy schools for children, Mother Teresa's home for the destitute and dying and abandoned children, Hospice, women's centers
- Excursions: Guided excursions to the Indian Ocean, the Taj Mahal and other historic sites