

Singapore, Design Thinking and Innovation, Global Education Network

June 7 – June 24, 2018



What is design thinking?

Design Thinking (DT) is a method for practical and creative problem solving that evolved from fields as varied from engineering, architecture and business. At its core, Design Thinking focuses on understanding people's needs and creatively discovering the best solution to meet those needs.

The Course: *GLS-120 Education Experience Abroad – 3 credits, Summer 2018*

Open to students in any program of study especially business, engineering, industrial technologies, IT, liberal arts and performing arts this experience starts with pre-departure meetings in the USA with your Kirkwood team, followed by travel to Singapore for 2-weeks to work in multi-country teams from Australia, Canada and Singapore. This year's theme will be "Innovation Through Technology." ITE will also plan cultural excursions for the whole group so you experience Singapore like a local. In your free time, explore all Singapore has to offer including world-class entertainment, premier shopping and some of the best food in the world!

The Destination:

Once you've discovered Singapore, you will wonder what took you so long to get there! Singapore was named the Top Country to Visit by Lonely Planet in 2015. Located in southeast Asia, Singapore is an island that encompasses only 270 square miles with 4.6 million residents. Without any natural resources of its own, Singapore's resource is the people. Singapore represents a merge of Malaysian, Chinese, Indian and Euro-Asian cultures, creating a diverse land with many choices for food and entertainment. With year-round weather between 70 and 90 degrees, Singapore has a lot to offer. You may enjoy world-class shopping on Orchard Road, a trip up in the Singapore Flyer – the world's largest observation wheel – or a day at Sentosa Island, boasting beaches and the Underwater World Oceanarium.

The Experience Highlights:

- Team project with students from 4 countries
- Industry site visits and guest speakers
- Intercultural learning experiences and
- Cultural excursions

"I had so much fun and made many friends at
ITE Singapore. I learned a lot about Asian
culture and way of life"

-Kirkwood, Global Education Network student,
2015



Estimated Program Fee: \$4,200
\$1,500 Global Advantage
Scholarship Available

Includes:

Airfare
Housing
Some Meals
Health Insurance
Cultural Excursions
In-Country Transit

Does not include:

Tuition: 3 summer credits
Passport Fee
Personal Expenses

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Tentative Program Itinerary:

- June 7 – Depart for Singapore
- June 9 – Arrive
- June 10- Orientation/City Tour
- June 13 – Begin project
- June 14 – June 22: Project work, field visits, cultural excursions and some free time for exploration
- June 23: Final Project Presentation
- June 24: Return to USA

Possible Cultural Excursions or Free Time:

- Marina Bay Sands
- National Orchid Garden
- Gardens by the Bay
- Singapore Zoo
- Night Safari
- Sentosa Island
- Chinatown
- Little India
- Merlion Park
- Colonial Walking Tour
- Singapore Flyer and much more!



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