

## **SUNY College Tour 13 Day Program/2012 New York State**

*The nation's largest and most comprehensive state university system, The State University of New York (SUNY), was founded at Potsdam, New York in 1816. Years later, the Morrill Act of 1862 led to the creation of four Ivy League land-grant SUNY colleges, which now currently exist at Cornell University. SUNY was officially established in February 1948 when New York became the 48th state, of the then 48 states, to create a state university system. SUNY initially represented a consolidation of 29 unaffiliated institutions, including 11 teachers colleges. All of these colleges, with their unique histories and backgrounds, united for a common goal: To serve New York State. Since 1948 SUNY has grown to include 64 individual colleges and universities that were either formerly independent institutions or directly founded by the State University of New York.*

*Today, the State University of New York's 64 geographically dispersed campuses bring educational opportunity within commuting distance of virtually all New Yorkers and comprise the nation's largest comprehensive system of public higher education. The State University of New York's 64 campuses are divided into four categories, based on educational mission, types of academic opportunities available and degrees offered. SUNY offers students a wide diversity of educational options including short-term vocational/technical courses, certificate, associate, and baccalaureate degree programs, graduate degrees and post-doctoral studies. SUNY provides access to almost every field of academic or professional study within the system via over 7,000 degree and certificate programs.*

### **Day 1**

Meet your coach and tour manager at baggage claim.  
Your New York State College tour begins just north of New York City – SUNY  
PURCHASE

#### **SUNY PURCHASE**

Founded by Governor Nelson Rockefeller in 1967 as the cultural gem of the State University of New York system, Purchase College today enjoys a world-class reputation for its arts programs and high rankings for its liberal arts and sciences programs. The College attracts students and faculty from around the world seeking a place where they can develop their talents, expand their minds, and prepare for a life of creative independence. The focus and diversity at Purchase College are notable. The 4,000 students and 300 faculty members here are not passive culture appreciators, they are active culture generators. By choosing to come here, individuals make a conscious decision to pursue their studies and their careers in a more intense environment.

After your afternoon tour, depart for New Paltz area for hotel check in and dinner

Private security on duty from 10:00 PM to 5:00 AM each evening



### **Day 2**

Included breakfast at your hotel  
This morning visit SUNY New Paltz for a tour and information session

## SUNY NEW PALTZ



The State University of New York at New Paltz is an exciting blend of tradition and vision. At its educational core is the ever-present belief in the importance of a liberal arts education. This served as the guiding principle at the time the university was founded, in 1828, and continues to aid in the preparation of students for transition into the global community today. Equally important is the commitment to the growth of the student -- intellectually, culturally, and socially. Throughout its history, New Paltz has led the way in the development of significant innovations, not the least of which has been its dedication to providing an international focus to all areas of its curriculum

After your campus tour, travel to Albany for lunch.

After lunch, you will visit the **Albany State Capitol Building**.

The Capitol was initially designed by Englishman Thomas Fuller, who also designed the Parliament buildings in Ottawa, Canada. However, the Capitol that Fuller envisioned was never completed.

The most prominent interior features of the Capitol are the three major staircases. Lavishly carved in a variety of stone and crowned with magnificent skylights, the staircases are three of the most admired features of the Capitol. The Senate and Assembly Staircases were designed by Leopold Eidlitz with the Assembly staircase being the first to be completed. The stone carving on this staircase, although more subtle and restrained than that of the others, is still impressive.

The Great Western Staircase, also known as the Million Dollar Staircase, took an unheard of 14 years to construct, from 1883-1897 and cost, more than one million dollars. The delays in constructing this magnificent staircase were two-fold. Designed by Henry Hobson Richardson and built by Isaac Perry, the staircase contains 444 steps and reaches 119 feet high. It is renowned as an outstanding example of American architectural stone carving excellence.



3:00 PM Visit SUNY Albany

**SUNY Albany** The State University of New York at Albany, commonly known as the University at Albany, is a public university located in the capital of New York State, and is the senior campus of the State University of New York (SUNY) system. Founded in 1844, it is an internationally recognized public research institution, which carries out a broad mission of undergraduate and graduate education, research, and service. The University enrolls more than 18,000 students in nine schools and colleges, which offer 56 undergraduate majors and 128 graduate degree programs. The academic choices are diverse and include a range of new and emerging fields such as public policy, nanotechnology, globalization, documentary studies, biotechnology, and informatics.



Dinner included at the Golden Corral on route to your overnight destination: Cobleskill

Overnight: Hampton Inn or similar

### Day 3

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning tour SUNY Cobleskill

#### **SUNY Cobleskill**

Is a comprehensive college offering degrees in agriculture and technology; business and computer technology; culinary arts, hospitality and tourism; early childhood; and liberal arts and sciences. The school began as the Schoharie State School of Agriculture in 1916. The college is located in Schoharie County, New York and offers associate's degree programs and 15 bachelor's degree programs. SUNY Cobleskill is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and the NYS Education Department registers all academic programs.



Included lunch on campus  
Afternoon tour SUNY Oneonta

### **SUNY Oneonta**

SUNY at Oneonta is a four-year liberal arts college in with approximately 5,800 students. The College offers many bachelor's degrees and a number of graduate degrees. It is particularly renowned for its education program (given its traditional context at the college) and more recently its music industry degree. Kiplinger's magazine has named the SUNY College at Oneonta to its 2007 "Kiplinger 100 Best Values in Public Colleges." You'll find outstanding and accessible faculty, students committed to academics and community service, exceptional technology, outstanding athletic facilities, and a beautiful rural campus.



Dinner included at Brooks BBQ.  
Overnight: at the Hampton Inn Oneonta.

### **Day 4**

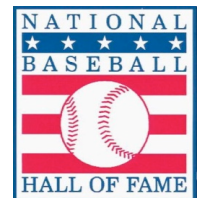
Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning visit the **SECRET CAVERNS**



The wonders of nature's underground passageways reveal the Secret - a magnificent 100 foot underground waterfalls! beneath the beautiful hills of central New York. The caverns in this area were formed largely during the last Ice Age about 38,000 years ago. At that time, gigantic waterfalls pouring off the melting glaciers bored out great holes (glacial potholes) into the ground. Whenever these potholes formed over crevices in the bedrock, the slightly acidic meltwater eroded the rock, leaving the network or caverns below.

Next, travel to Cooperstown New York for a visit to **The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum** which is an independent, non-profit educational institution dedicated to fostering an appreciation of the historical development of baseball and its impact on our culture by collecting, preserving, exhibiting and interpreting its collections for a global audience as well as honoring those who have made outstanding contributions to our national pastime. The National Baseball Hall of Fame celebrated its 70th anniversary in 2009. (Milo Stewart Jr./National Baseball Hall of Fame Library) The Hall of Fame's mission is to preserve the sport's history, honor excellence within the game and make a connection between the generations of people who enjoy baseball. Likewise the institution functions as three entities under one roof with a museum, the actual Hall of Fame and a research library. With these parts working together the Museum is committed to fulfilling its mission by: Collecting, through donation, baseball artifacts, works of art, literature, photographs, memorabilia and related materials which focus on the history of the game over time, its players and those elected to the Hall of Fame.



Included dinner in Cooperstown .

Afternoon visit SUNY Binghamton – self guided

### **SUNY Binghamton**



*State University of New York*

SUNY Binghamton is one of the four university centers in New York State's system of post-secondary public education. Since its establishment in 1946, it has undergone a number of changes in name and location. Today, the research university's main campus is located in Vestal, New York, and the school has recently opened a center nearby in downtown Binghamton. Binghamton has grown from a small liberal arts college to a large doctoral-granting institution, presently consists of six colleges and schools

and is now home to more than 14,000 undergraduate and graduate students

After our campus visit, we spend an overnight in Corning, NY

Hotel Check in: Hampton Inn or similar....

## Day 5

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning visit the **Corning Museum of Glass**

At The Corning Museum of Glass, glass isn't just for looking at or looking through. At our Museum, you can explore, research, touch, work with, and interact with glass.

A truly unique Museum experience, The Corning Museum of Glass offers:

- The world's best collection of art and historical glass. More than 45,000 objects trace 3,500 years of glassmaking history. Read our collections policy.
- Hands-on exhibits that tell the story of the science and technology behind innovations in glass.
- Live, narrated glassblowing demonstrations all day, every day.
- Make Your Own Glass, the Museum's unique try-it-yourself glassmaking program.

The Corning Museum of Glass is where the world—from serious scholars to those simply interested in discovering—turns to learn more about the art, history, craft, or technology of this incredible material. Spend some time at our Museum, and we guarantee you'll learn to see glass in a whole new light.

Late morning depart for Buffalo, NY

Travel to Niagara Falls, NY

This afternoon experience a true wonder of the world – Niagara Falls!

You will board the **"Maid of the Mist"** Ride into the Mist!

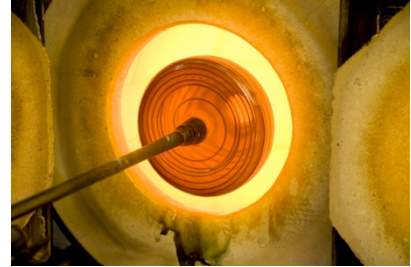
Water rushes all around as you "soak" in the excitement and explore the roar of the Falls. A historical ride aboard the world-famous Maid of the Mist is a half hour thrill of a lifetime! North America's oldest tourist attraction, millions of visitors have enjoyed the boat tours since 1846.

Then visit the **CAVE OF THE WINDS**

Get closer than you can imagine at the Cave of the Winds! Go face-to-face with the pounding waters of Niagara Falls and get soaked on the Hurricane Deck where you are just feet from the thundering waters! You cannot get any closer to the Falls!

Enjoy dinner at the Hard Rock Café before boarding the coach.

8:00 PM Check into: Hampton Inn, downtown Buffalo



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## Day 6

Included breakfast at your hotel



10:00 AM **SUNY BUFFALO/University at Buffalo** - State University of New York at Buffalo, commonly known as the University at Buffalo or UB, is a public research university which has multiple campuses located in Buffalo and Amherst, New York, USA. Offering 84 bachelor's, 184 master's and 78 doctoral degrees, it is the largest of the four comprehensive university centers within the State University of New York (SUNY) system. From its inception in 1846 until 1962, the private school was known as the University of Buffalo. Once it became a state university, the name

was changed, but many alumni still refer to it by the former name.

Included lunch on Campus

**2:00 PM** Tour **BUFFALO STATE**

Buffalo State College has been part of the State University of New York (SUNY) system since 1948, and is the largest comprehensive college in the SUNY system. Being part of the SUNY system results in tuition that is an extraordinary value. Buffalo State offers 166 undergraduate programs with 11 honors options and 62 opportunities for graduate study, including 19 post baccalaureate teacher certification programs. Our faculty are nationally renowned scholars who bring the latest research, creativity, and ideas, to the classroom. The faculty at Buffalo State has been commended as a "major source of excellence" by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.



Forty-seven faculty members have been awarded the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and eight have been honored as SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professors.

Dinner and night at the movies

## Day 7

Included breakfast at your hotel

Travel to Brockport, NY

### Morning tour **THE COLLEGE AT BROCKPORT**



The College at  
**BROCKPORT**  
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

*Founded in 1835, The College at Brockport is a public, comprehensive four-year college, committed to student success through fostering innovative thinkers and leaders who are assets in the classroom and the workplace. Our 464-acre campus has 66 buildings occupying about one-quarter of the campus, with rolling grassy fields and wooded land. Brockport, NY is a small college town of 8,100 residents located on the historic Erie Canal. Located in Greater Rochester (Monroe County), the campus is 16 miles from downtown, 45 miles east of Buffalo, NY, and is a short drive from the Canadian border. Brockport offers 50 undergraduate majors, 48 master's degree programs, and teacher certification in 24 areas. Each year, The College at Brockport awards approximately 25% of all bachelor degrees in the Rochester area, with many alumni staying in Rochester to work or attend graduate school. Our alumni serve in leadership roles in business, government, public safety, health care, the arts, sciences and education.*

Included lunch on campus before traveling to Oswego

### 2:00 PM **Tour SUNY OSWEGO**

*With a student body of more than 8,300, we are large enough to offer more than 100 programs of study yet small enough for students to form quality relationships with each other and caring faculty. We stress quality education and experience inside and outside the classroom on our scenic, 690-acre lakeside campus. Students pursue bright futures through programs in our College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; School of Business; School of Communication, Media and the Arts; and School of Education — as well as innovative interdisciplinary programs that cross traditional boundaries. Oswego opens doors to the future with internships and study-abroad opportunities that rate among the highest in the SUNY system.*



Board coach and travel to Potsdam for overnight.

Included dinner and time to swim in hotel pool.

## Day 8

Included breakfast at your hotel

### Morning tour **SUNY Potsdam**

*The State University of New York at Potsdam prepares students to act as engaged global citizens and to lead lives enriched by critical thought, creativity and discovery. As an inclusive scholarly community, rooted in our historic role in providing exemplary teacher and music education and our leadership in the fine and performing arts, we are committed to the liberal arts and sciences as an academic foundation for all students. With an abiding sense of responsibility to our region and to the world beyond, SUNY Potsdam fosters an appreciation of and respect for the variety of human experience.*

*A Victorian and sandstone setting is the backdrop for Potsdam's modern educational, cultural and scientific centers; medical and shopping facilities; wide variety of restaurants; local airport; and accommodations. Rich in heritage, the community is also on the cutting edge of technology. Founded in 1806, Potsdam is situated on an abundant and wide band of world-renowned, reddish-orange Potsdam sandstone located north of the Adirondack foothills in central St. Lawrence County. Serving for nearly two centuries as the county's "cultural and educational center," Potsdam is home to Clarkson University, SUNY Potsdam and one of the state's finest public school systems.*



After your tour, board coach for Plattsburgh, NY

### Afternoon Tour **SUNY PLATTSBURG**



As one of U.S. News and World Report's "Best Colleges of 2011," SUNY Plattsburgh is deeply committed to academic excellence. Located in a beautiful upstate New York setting, it offers more than 60 high-quality, affordable degree programs. You'll learn from faculty who are **leaders in their field** -- educators who actually take the time to mentor their students as well as teach them.

(Our student-to-faculty ratio, in fact, is 16-1.)

Learning, however, doesn't just happen in the classroom. And SUNY Plattsburgh offers a variety of ways that you can complement your studies, from internships to hands-on learning experiences in the community. If you really want to get out of the classroom, there are a variety of opportunities to study abroad as well.

**Make the Most of Your Free Time** - On campus, you can get involved with one of our many clubs and organizations, see a concert or catch a Cardinals game. Off campus, you can visit restaurants, shopping centers and even the region's biggest movie theater. But that's not all. You'll find even more excitement just an hour away, whether it's the Olympic village in Lake Placid, N.Y., the unique atmosphere of Burlington, or the art and culture of Montreal.

Included dinner and night at the movies

## Day 9

Included breakfast at your hotel before departing for the "Big Apple".

Lunch stop to be made on the way

Then a birdseye view of this fabulous city from the "Top of the Rock" Observation Deck.

7:00 PM Dinner at Dallas BBQ

Hotel check in : Hyatt Place Secaucus (or similar)

## Day 10

Included breakfast at your hotel.

This morning climb aboard the Statue Ferry for a visit to the **Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island**. Depart for Liberty Island, New Jersey where you will board ferry for Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. *The Statue of Liberty is more than a monument. She is a beloved friend, a living symbol of freedom to millions around the world. The people of France gave the Statue to the people of the United States over one hundred years ago in recognition of the friendship established during the American Revolution. Over the years, the Statue of Liberty's symbolism has grown to include freedom and democracy as well as this international friendship.*

*Ellis Island – The exhibits portray and give voice to the immigrants themselves. Each of their stories is unique and bears witness to the courage and determination that enables men and women to leave their homes and seek new opportunities in an unknown land.*

**1:00 PM** Lunch included by Voucher at South Street Seaport. *This Financial District waterfront development has more than 100 shops, cafes, and restaurants. Who knew you could eat outdoors with a view of the harbor, tall ships, and speedboats cruising by in NYC? Great views of the Brooklyn Bridge, too.*

After lunch we will visit the **9/11 Memorial Site**. Honoring the lives of those who were lost is at the heart of the mission. Occupying eight of the 16 acres at the World Trade Center, the Memorial is a tribute to the past and a place of hope for the future.



We then head for TIMES SQUARE for Dinner and a BROADWAY SHOW (TBD)  
Return to your hotel after the show

## Day 11

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning visit the **UNITED NATIONS**

The Headquarters of the United Nations is located along the East River in New York City, on 1st Avenue between 45th and 46th Street. This 18-acre site belongs to the Organization's 193 Member States. Your visit to the United Nations begins as you enter the General Assembly building. Standing on the eastern shore of Manhattan Island, on the banks of New York City's East River, United Nations Headquarters remains both a symbol of peace and a beacon of hope. To its 18 acres come representatives of the earth's six billion people, to discuss and decide issues of peace, justice and economic and social well being.



After our tour, we head for Rockefeller Center for lunch.

This afternoon, visit NBC Studios, walk on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, and see all the famous flagship stores that line this amazing street all the way to Central Park!

Dinner included this evening in Little Italy at SPQR with some free time for shopping.

## Day 12

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning visit the MET – **Metropolitan Museum of Art**



The Metropolitan Museum of Art (colloquially The Met) is a renowned art museum in New York City. Its permanent collection contains more than two million works, divided into nineteen curatorial departments. The main building, located on the eastern edge of Central Park along Manhattan's Museum Mile, is one of the world's largest art galleries.

Represented in the permanent collection are works of art from classical antiquity and Ancient Egypt, paintings and sculptures from nearly all the European masters, and an extensive collection of American and modern art. The Met also maintains extensive holdings of African, Asian, Oceanic, Byzantine, and Islamic art. The museum is also home to encyclopedic collections of musical instruments, costumes and accessories, and antique weapons and armor from around the world. Several notable interiors, ranging from 1st-century Rome through modern American design, are permanently installed in the Met's galleries.

Lunch at the Metropolitan

This afternoon, spend your last day in TIMES SQUARE with time to browse the exciting stores

Admission will be included to **Madame Tussauds Wax Museum**

With over 200 figures, Madame Tussauds NY provides visitors with an entertaining and educational opportunity to experience the world's most fascinating celebrities, influential world leaders, historical figures and sports icons. With a number of interactive experiences such as our new SportZone, Cinema 4D featuring Happy Feet, Scream! a live-actor haunted experience and much more this is one New York destination you must see!

Included dinner and then say farewell to NEW YORK with a visit to the **Empire State Building Observation Deck.**

## Day 13

Included breakfast at the hotel, then time to pack your bags aboard the coach and depart for the airport.

Until we meet again.....

**Tour includes:**

Roundtrip motor coach transportation including customary driver gratuity  
Tour Manager throughout including customary gratuity  
12 Nights hotel, taxes & private security  
12 Breakfasts, 12 Dinners  
All admissions & touring as listed in the itinerary  
All meal taxes and meal gratuities  
Coordination of college visits

**Note:** At times Restaurant menus may change at the discretion of the Restaurant Management. These circumstances are beyond our control.

*ALL TOURS AND RESERVATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY BASED UPON TIME OF BOOKING.*

**PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE AIRFARE - AIRFARE ADDITIONAL – airfare, visas to be secured by client**  
**AIR SPACE IS NOT BEING HELD at this time.**  
**NOTE: AIRFARE IS NOT COMPED. AIRFARE PAID ON A PER PERSON BASIS.**