

# WEST/EAST COAST COLLEGE TOUR

## Summer 2012

### 21 day tour

#### DAY 1

Mid-day arrival at LAX. Meet your local guide and deluxe motorcoach  
Transfer to your hotel in the suburbs of LA.

Hotel: Hampton Inn/ Holiday Inn Express or similar

**Mid afternoon:** Depart for the **Hollywood & Highland Center.**

The Hollywood & Highland Center, an entertainment, retail and hotel complex at Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue in the Hollywood district in Los Angeles. The 387,000-square-foot center also includes the Grauman's Chinese Theatre and the Kodak Theatre, home to the Academy Awards, a popular spot to snap a photo.



Spend the rest of your afternoon and evening here. You will see the **Kodak Theatre Walk**, have a **guided tour Kodak Theatre** and see the **famous Hollywood sign**. The **Hollywood Sign**, now recognized around the globe for its ties to the movie business, originally read "HOLLYWOODLAND" and was created in 1923 to advertise a new housing development in the hills above the Hollywood district of Los Angeles. It was never intended to be a permanent fixture on these hills, but after the rise of the American cinema in Los

Angeles the sign became an internationally recognized symbol and landmark, and continues to make frequent appearances in popular culture. The bridge on the 3rd and 4th levels of the Hollywood & Highland center offer visitors the city's best view of the Hollywood Sign and a great photo opportunity.



**Kodak Theatre Walk** serves as the entrance to the world-famous Kodak Theatre on the west side of Hollywood & Highland Center. Since opening in November 2001, the Kodak Theatre has been the permanent home of the Academy Awards®. Guests arrive by limousine on Hollywood Blvd. where a red carpet and velvet rope walkway awaits them. The walk up the red carpet on Oscar®'s night takes celebrities through Kodak Theatre Walk, an impressive art deco inspired walkway with golden framed crystal plaques commemorating each of the Academy's Best Picture winners since 1929.



When you visit Hollywood & Highland Center, you can you imagine the feel of red carpet beneath your feet as you stroll the same path that the stars take on Oscar® night .

**Kodak Theatre Tour** - The 3,332 seat Kodak Theatre, located in the heart of the Hollywood & Highland Center, opened in November 2001 and soon thereafter became known to more than one billion people across the globe as the first permanent home of the glamorous Academy Awards®. As a first class live entertainment venue, Kodak Theatre has hosted a wide range of prestigious artists and events including Celine Dion, Prince, Elvis Costello, Stevie Wonder, American Ballet Theatre and various touring Broadway productions. A 30-minute guided theatre tours offers visitors highlights of the world-renowned venue, starting with the five-level theatre lobby and grand spiral staircase as well as a glimpse of Hollywood’s biggest night – the Oscars®.



- 6:00 PM** Dinner included at **California Kitchen Pizza** in the Hollywood & Highland Center.
- 9:00 PM** Return to your hotel for the evening.
- 10:00 PM** Private security on duty until 5:00 AM



**DAY 2**

- 7:30 AM** Breakfast included at your hotel
- 8:30 AM** Depart for Long Beach, CA – 35 minutes / 26 miles.
- 10:00 AM** Morning visit to **California State University, Long Beach.**



California State University Long Beach is a diverse, student-centered, globally-engaged public university committed to providing highly-valued undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities through superior teaching, research, creative activity and service for the people of California and the world. California State University values Excellence, Diversity, Integrity and Service to others – come and see what we have to offer.

- 12:00 PM** Depart for Los Angeles – 32 minutes / 25 miles
- 1:00 PM** Lunch on own (student expense) on campus upon arrival at UCLA
- 2:00 PM** Afternoon visit to **UCLA – University of California, Los Angeles.**

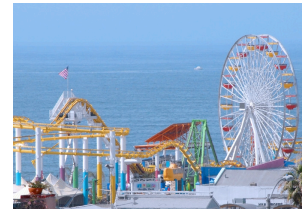


The University of California, Los Angeles (generally known as UCLA) is a public research university located in the Westwood neighborhood of Los Angeles, California, in the United States. It was founded in 1919 and is the second oldest of the ten major campuses affiliated with the University of California system. UCLA offers over 300 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in a wide range of disciplines and enrolls about 26,000 undergraduate and about 11,000 graduate students from the United States and around the world every year. It is the only leading research institution in the world founded in the 20th century. UCLA is organized into five undergraduate colleges, seven professional schools, and five professional Health Science schools.

5:00 PM

**Included dinner and free time at the Santa Monica Pier**

The world-famous Santa Monica Pier offers a variety of entertainment and shopping including Pacific Park amusement park; Heal The Bay Aquarium; a historic 1922 Merry-Go-Round (Carousel) plus specialty shops/carts, eateries, an old-fashioned soda fountain, and full-service restaurants.



**DAY 3**

8:00 AM Breakfast included at your hotel.

9:00 AM Enjoy the entire day at **DISNEYLAND PARK**, the place where imagination is the destination. For



young and old, big and small — it's the happiest place on earth! Come build memories that last a lifetime as you discover the wonder of this magical, fantastical world. When you enter one of the Lands that comprise Disneyland Park, stories come to life around you, immersing you in tales from some of your favorite Disney films...

\*\*\* **Main Street, U.S.A.** is the entrance to Disneyland Park. Stroll down the street where turn-of-the-century architecture and transportation recreate a bygone era. Be sure to board a vintage vehicle for a ride back in time and then marvel at The Disneyland Story presenting Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln. Before you leave, don't forget to visit the Emporium, an old-time Victorian general store filled with all kinds of Disney memorabilia.

\*\*\* **Fantasyland** - Located beyond Sleeping Beauty Castle, Fantasyland is where you can meet the heroes and villains of your favorite Disney stories. Encounter princesses from the royal realms of Disney films such as Snow White, Sleeping Beauty and Cinderella. Step into their enchanting stories about the triumph of true love. Sing along with a classic song and sail past the pageantry of "it's a small world". Take a spin in a tea cup or fly over London with Peter Pan. Revel in the enchantment that surrounds you!



\*\*\* **Tomorrowland** - Ready your rockets as you blast into the twin orbits of innovation and exploration at Tomorrowland! Rocket into the outer reaches of darkest space on Space Mountain and battle galactic bad guys in Buzz Lightyear Astro Blasters. To infinity and beyond!

\*\*\* **New Orleans Square** - Welcome to the French Quarter of New Orleans Square where you can celebrate Mardi Gras all year round. Pay your respects to the 999 ghostly residents of the Haunted Mansion and then join the Pirates of the Caribbean on a bayou bateau for a swashbuckling voyage! Raise a mint julep to this land of buried treasure and supernatural secrets, parasols and pirate curses. It's home to swashbucklers and haunts alike!

\*\*\* **Adventureland** - Chart a course for Adventureland and embark on a bold expedition into excitement and intrigue! Enter a lost temple on Indiana Jones Adventure and delve into dark jungles on The Jungle Cruise. Join your fellow explorers as you boldly seek mystery and imagination.

\*\*\* **Critter Country** - Come play in the deep backwoods of Critter Country. Hear the rumble of railroads and waterfalls, not to mention a chorus of critters singin' "Zip-a-Dee-Do-Dah" at Splash Mountain. See one of the most beloved critters when you journey through the Hundred Acre Wood on The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh. It's a hunny of a place to play!

\*\*\* **Mickey's Toontown** is a miniature interactive metropolis full of topsy turvy architecture and screwy sculptures. For the ultimate taste of Toon mania, hail a wacky taxi for the ride of your life on Roger Rabbit's Car Toon Spin or brave Gadget's Go Coaster. Or visit the charming houses of Mickey, Minnie and other classic Disney characters. It's where some of your favorite Toons call home.

\*\*\* **Frontierland** celebrates the trailblazers, settlers and other heroes of the Old West. For big adventure, rumble over the mountain on a runaway railroad car when you ride Big Thunder Mountain Railroad. And there's a mighty fine show at the Golden Horseshoe Stage. From the Pirate's Lair on Tom Sawyer Island to the rippling waters of the Rivers of America, it's a pioneer's paradise.

Lunch on own at the Disneyland Park and **dinner included by meal voucher at park.**

- 8:00 PM** Return to your hotel for the evening.
- 10:00 PM** Private security on duty until 5:00 AM

**DAY 4**

**8:00 AM** Breakfast included at your hotel.

**10:00 AM** Morning visit to **USC – University of Southern California.**  
 The University of Southern California (commonly referred to as USC) is a private, nonsectarian, research university located in the University Park neighborhood in Los Angeles, CA. USC was founded in 1880, making it California's oldest private research university. The university enrolled 16,384 undergraduate and 17,024 graduate students and awarded 4,676 bachelor's and 5,380 advanced degrees in 2007. USC's four year, full-time undergraduate program is classified as "more selective, higher transfer-in" with 95 undergraduate majors and 147 academic and professional minors are offered. The graduate program is classified as "comprehensive" and offers 134 master's, doctoral, and professional degrees through 17 professional schools.



**12:00 PM** Lunch on own on campus (student expense)

**1:00 PM** Depart for Santa Barbara – 1.45 hrs / 96 miles.  
 Quick lunch stop on route (student expense)

**3:00 PM** Afternoon visit to **University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB).**  
 Known as one of the country's "hottest" colleges, The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Because teaching and research go hand in hand at UC Santa Barbara, our students are full participants in an educational journey of discovery that stimulates independent thought, critical reasoning, and creativity. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society.



**4:00 PM** Depart for the **Paseo Nuevo Mall**, a beautiful and modern mall in the famous State Street shopping district. Free time for shopping and exploring. **Dinner will be included by stipend.**

**7:30 PM** **Check into your hotel:** Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area.

**10:00 PM** Private security on duty until 5:00 AM



## DAY 5

- 7:00 AM** Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out.  
**7:30 AM** Depart for San Luis Obispo – 1.45 hrs / 108 miles.  
**10:00 AM** Morning visit to **Cal Poly San Luis Obispo**.



Cal Poly is a nationally ranked, four-year, comprehensive public university located in San Luis Obispo, halfway between San Francisco and Los Angeles on California's Central Coast. It is a distinctive learning community offering academically focused students a hands-on educational experience that prepares them for today's scientific and technical world.

- 12:00 PM** Lunch on own on campus (student expense)  
**1:00 PM** Depart for Santa Cruz – 2.45 hrs / 164 miles.  
**4:00 PM** Approximate arrival in Santa Cruz at the **Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk**.  
Free time and **dinner included by stipend**.  
**7:30 PM** **Check into your hotel:** Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in Santa Cruz.  
**10:00 PM** Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.



## DAY 6

- 7:30 AM** Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out.  
**10:00 AM** Morning visit to **University of California, Santa Cruz**.



Part of the mission of The University of California, Santa Cruz is a commitment to promoting and protecting an environment that values and supports every person in an atmosphere of civility, honesty, cooperation, professionalism and fairness. They are a participatory community united by shared commitments to: service to society; preservation and advancement of knowledge; and innovative teaching and learning. The University of California, Santa Cruz, opened in 1965 and grew, one college at a time, to its current (2007-08) enrollment of more than 15,000 students. Undergraduates pursue 63 majors supervised by divisional deans of humanities, physical & biological sciences, social sciences, and arts. Graduate students work toward graduate certificates, master's degrees, or doctoral degrees in 34 academic fields under the supervision of the divisional and graduate deans.

- 12:00 PM** Lunch on own on campus (student expense)  
**1:00 PM** Depart for San Francisco – 1.30 hrs / 74 miles.

- 3:00 PM** Arrival in San Francisco.  
Admission included to the **California Academy of Sciences**.  
The California Academy of Sciences is a world-class scientific and cultural institution based in San Francisco. The Academy recently opened a new facility in Golden Gate Park, a 400,000 square foot structure that houses an aquarium, a planetarium a natural history museum and a 4-story rainforest all under one roof. The new facility is also home to the Academy's staff of world-class scientists, an education department that provides a wide range of student and teacher services, and an extensive science library with over 26 million specimens and artifacts.



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5:30 PM



Dinner included at **Bubba Gump Restaurant** at **Pier 39** with some free time afterwards.

PIER 39, San Francisco's Premier Bay Attraction, is a festive shopping mecca featuring 110 specialty shops and 12 full-service restaurants serving seafood, California cuisine, and casual fare with beautiful Bay views. At PIER 39 the picturesque scenery captures Alcatraz, the Golden Gate and Bay Bridges, Fisherman's Wharf and city skyline. PIER 39's two-level design with lush landscaping is a must-see on San Francisco's historic waterfront. There's a multitude of fun for everyone with attractions and live entertainment to amuse all ages.

8:00 PM

**Check into your hotel:** Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in San Francisco

10:00 PM

Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

**DAY 7**

8:30 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel.

9:30 AM

Today, let's explore the beautiful city of San Francisco. Board one of the world famous trolleys and listen to expert narration as you ride through San Francisco's most scenic neighborhoods - Fisherman's Wharf, North Beach, Nob Hill, Downtown, Chinatown & along the waterfront.

Other highlights of our San Francisco Trolley Hop tour include stops at Union Square, PIER 41 at Fisherman's Wharf, The Ferry Building & North Beach/Chinatown!



Then, visit the **Golden Gate Bridge**. The famous Golden Gate Bridge is a unique experience for everyone. You can walk the 1.7 mile long Bridge, shop or take a walk through the renovated garden area on the southeast side of the Bridge.

5:30 PM

Dinner included at the **Rain Forest Café**. Thunder, lightning, tiki birds, monkeys and elephants surround you as you enjoy a fun dinner.

7:30 PM

Visit to **Ripley's Believe It or Not** - The odd, the unusual, the bizarre!

9:00 PM

Return to hotel.

10:00 PM

Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.



**DAY 8**

7:30 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel.

8:30 AM

Depart for Stanford

10:00 AM

Morning visit to **Stanford University**.

**STANFORD**  
UNIVERSITY



In recent years, Stanford has launched a university-wide initiative on human health, the environment and sustainability, international affairs and the arts. They believe that collaboration across disciplines will be the key to future advances, and multidisciplinary research and teaching are at the heart of these new initiatives. Their undergraduate students are an important part of these efforts. Over the past decade, innovations in undergraduate education at Stanford include opportunities for students to work with faculty in small classes from their first days on campus. In this community of scholars, there is no greater thrill than being at the edge of a field and advancing the frontier of knowledge, and we offer undergraduates numerous opportunities to work closely with faculty and researchers.

3:00 PM

Visit to **University of California, Berkeley.**

Founded in the wake of the gold rush by leaders of the newly established 31st state, the University of California's flagship campus at Berkeley has become one of the preeminent universities in the world. Its early guiding lights, charged with providing education (both "practical" and "classical") for the state's people, gradually established a distinguished faculty (with 20 Nobel laureates to date), a stellar research library, and more than 350 academic programs.



5:00 PM

Included dinner and night at the movies

10:00 PM

Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

**DAY 9**

8:00 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out and departure for the San Francisco Airport.

7:00 PM

Approximate arrival in BOSTON, MA where you will meet your East Coast tour manager.

Included dinner in Boston where you will begin your east coast journey.  
Check into your hotel: Springhill Suites or similar

**BOSTON – NEW YORK – Washington DC**

**Catch the RED EYE FLIGHT to Boston**

*The concentration of America's most well-known and historic educational institutions is located within a 500 mile radius. You will be introduced to not only the most prestigious Universities, but also to the places that are the foundation of the history of America, the land of opportunity...*

**DAY 10**

Included breakfast upon arrival

Boston, first incorporated as a town in 1630, and as a city in 1822, is one of America's oldest cities, with a rich economic and social history. What began as a homesteading community eventually evolved into a center for social and political change. Boston has since become the economic and cultural hub of New England.

As the region's hub, Boston is home to over 617,594 residents, many institutions of higher education, some of the world's finest inpatient hospitals, and numerous cultural and professional sports organizations.

Late morning, board **THE BOSTON DUCK BOAT** which will give you an overview tour of the city of Boston from a very unique perspective.....by land and by sea! You've never toured Boston in anything that comes close to Boston Duck Tours. The fun begins as soon as you board your "DUCK", a W.W.II style amphibious landing vehicle. First, you'll be greeted by one of our legendary tour ConDUCKtors, who'll be narrating your tour. Then you're off on a journey like you've never had before. You'll cruise by all the places that make Boston the birthplace of freedom and a city of firsts, from the golden-domed State House to Bunker Hill and the TD Banknorth Garden, Boston Common and Copley Square to the Big Dig, Government Center to fashionable Newbury Street, Quincy Market to the Prudential Tower, and more. And, as the best of Boston unfolds before your eyes, your ConDUCKtor will be giving you lots of little known facts and interesting insights about our unique and wonderful city.



And just when you think you've seen it all, there's more. It's time for "Splashdown" as your ConDUCKtor splashes your DUCK right into the Charles River for a breathtaking view of the Boston and Cambridge skylines, the kind of view you just won't get anywhere else.

Included lunch at Quincy Market and free time.

Late afternoon travel to the historic town of Salem, MA "a small town with a big history". Here you will hear about the infamous witch trials of 1692, see the maritime site with a replica of a vessel used during the maritime trade and see the beautiful architecture of Samuel McIntyre.

Included dinner in Salem before returning to your hotel..

## DAY 11

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning tour and information session at **HARVARD UNIVERSITY**

Harvard University is a private university located in Cambridge, Massachusetts and a member of the Ivy League. Founded in 1636 by the colonial Massachusetts legislature, Harvard is the oldest institution of higher learning in the United States and currently comprises ten separate academic units. It is also the first and oldest corporation in the United States.



Included lunch in HARVARD SQUARE where there are café's and restaurants to meet everyone's cuisine and taste. This crossroads of the world is filled with students, locals and tourist making it a wonderful place to stop, relax and people watch while you are dining.

After lunch visit the



**MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (MIT)** is a private research university located in Cambridge, Massachusetts. MIT has five schools and one college, containing a total of 32 academic departments, with a strong emphasis on scientific and technological research. MIT is one of two private land-grant universities and is also a sea-grant and space-grant university. Return to your hotel to freshen up before your included dinner.

After dinner visit the Top of the Hub observation deck for a bird's eye view of this amazing city.

## DAY 12

Included breakfast at your hotel.

Morning visit BOSTON UNIVERSITY

### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY**

Boston University (BU) is a private research university located in Boston, With nearly 4,000 faculty members and more than 30,000 students, Boston University is the fourth-largest private university in the country and the city's fourth-largest employer. The University offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees through 8 schools and colleges and operates two urban campuses. The main campus is situated along the Charles River in Boston's Fenway-Kenmore neighborhood, while the Boston University Medical Campus is in Boston's South End neighborhood.



Included lunch on the Northeastern campus before beginning the afternoon tour.



**NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY** Northeastern University, abbreviated NU or NEU, is a private university founded in 1898. Northeastern's award-winning campus is located in the Fenway Cultural District of Boston. Northeastern is known for its Cooperative education (co-op) program, in which students complete eight semesters of full-time study and up to three semesters of paid full-time work. Northeastern a leader in interdisciplinary research, urban engagement, and the integration of classroom learning with real-world experience.

At the end of the day, it's time for a little fun..

Included dinner and evening at **BLUE MAN GROUP!** Comedy. Music. Multimedia Theatrics. Combine all three, add a spot of blue, and you've got the makings of a totally unique form of entertainment. More than 17 million people around the world have experienced the playful party atmosphere of a Blue Man.

## DAY 13

Included breakfast then pack your bags for departure.

Stop in Providence RI where you will visit BROWN UNIVERSITY

### **BROWN UNIVERSITY**



Brown University

Founded in 1764, it is a member of the Ivy League and is renowned for the quality of its teaching, research, and unique curriculum. Brown's three schools offer nearly 100 programs of study. The University adheres to a collaborative university-college model in which faculty are as committed to teaching as they are to research, embracing a curriculum that requires students to be architects of their education. Brown's campus is composed of 238 buildings and sits on 143 acres in Providence, the capital of Rhode Island.

Included lunch on campus.

After lunch, we travel to Connecticut for a stop at YALE UNIVERSITY

**YALE UNIVERSITY** Yale University is a private research university in New Haven, Connecticut, and a member of the Ivy League. Founded in 1701 in the Colony of Connecticut, the university is the third-oldest institution of higher education in the United States. Yale has produced many notable alumni, including five U.S. presidents, nineteen U.S. Supreme Court Justices, and several foreign heads of state. Yale University comprises three major academic components: Yale College (the undergraduate program), the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and the professional schools. In addition, Yale encompasses a wide array of centers and programs, libraries, museums, and administrative support offices. Approximately 11,250 students attend Yale.



Included dinner and we head for our overnight destination: **NEW YORK CITY!**



Check in at your hotel.

Here it is, the city that never sleeps.... Walk with your guide to Times Square....crossroads of the World. Times Square is a major intersection in New York City that was named after the Times Building (now One Times Square), where The New York Times was formerly headquartered. Nicknamed "The Crossroads of the World," Times Square is located at Broadway and Seventh Avenue and extends from West 42nd to West 47th Streets (click here to view a map of Times Square). Like city squares in many other major cities around the world, Times Square has become an illustrious landmark and a symbol of New York City. Tourists and locals alike are attracted to the vibrant energy and exciting atmosphere in Times Square. The bright lights and animated advertisements (known as "Spectaculars" and "Jumbotron") radiating across buildings throughout Times Square NYC are not only a brilliant sight to behold, they are required of business owners in the area per zoning ordinances.



## DAY 14

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning visit NYU – **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**

New York University (NYU) Founded in 1831, New York University is the largest private university in the United States. The University, which is composed of 14 schools, colleges, and divisions, occupies five major centers in Manhattan. It operates branch campus and research programs in other parts of the United States and abroad, as well as study abroad programs in more than 25 countries.



NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

Included lunch at South Street Seaport



Afternoon, tour **Fordham University** at Lincoln Center (FCLC), a close-knit intellectual and creative community of faculty and students located in the heart of Manhattan, and conducted in the Catholic and Jesuit tradition of education. Fordham College at Lincoln Center is uniquely formed for the expansion and exchange of thought: students are invited not to simply enjoy the rich, cultural life of the city, but to become engaged in its community; not simply to attend class, but to experience a classroom in the world outside the college's doors. FCLC offers a full range of majors in the liberal arts and sciences with nationally recognized programs in the fine and performing arts. The college is the heir of a long history of Fordham in Manhattan. The campus is an eight-acre self-contained complex at the corner of Columbus (Ninth) Avenue and West 60th Street. Our neighbors include Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the AOL-Time Warner Building, the CBS Television Studios, and Central Park.

Included dinner

The day concludes with a birds-eye view of New York.



Ride to the top of the **EMPIRE STATE BUILDING** to visit the observation deck.

The Empire State Building is a 102-story landmark in New York City, United States, at the intersection of Fifth Avenue and West 34th Street. It is 1,250 ft (381 meters) tall.[7] Its name is derived from the nickname for New York, the Empire State. It stood as the world's tallest building for 40 years, from its completion in 1931 until construction of the World Trade Center's North Tower was completed in 1972. Following the destruction of the World Trade Center in 2001, the Empire State Building once again became the tallest building in New York City.

The Empire State Building has been named by the American Society of Civil Engineers as one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World

Included breakfast at your hotel.

This morning visit the **UNITED NATIONS**

Due to its unique international character, and the powers vested in its founding Charter, the Organization can take action on a wide range of issues, and provide a forum for its 193 Member States to express their views, through the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council and other bodies and committees.

The work of the United Nations reaches every corner of the globe. Although best known for peacekeeping, peace-building, conflict prevention and humanitarian assistance, there are many other ways the United Nations and its System (specialized agencies, funds and programmes) affect our lives and make the world a better place. The Organization works on a broad range of fundamental issues, from sustainable development, environment and refugees protection, disaster relief, counter terrorism, disarmament and non-proliferation, to promoting democracy, human rights, gender equality and the advancement of women, governance, economic and social development and international health, clearing landmines, expanding food production, and more, in order to achieve its goals and coordinate efforts for a safer world for this and future generations.

Late morning, visit **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**



Columbia University was founded in 1754 as King's College by royal charter of King George II of England. It is the oldest institution of higher learning in the state of New York and the fifth oldest in the United States. Today, Columbia is one of the top academic and research institutions in the world, conducting path breaking research in medicine, science, the arts, and the humanities. It includes three undergraduate schools, thirteen graduate and professional schools, and a school of continuing education.

Included lunch at Columbia

This afternoon, visit:

**PACE UNIVERSITY**



constant, endeavors.

Pace University is committed to providing the best possible private education to a diverse and talented student body at each Pace University location. The University's continuous commitment to Opportunitas must be retained, strengthened and, when necessary, redefined in an uncertain world where many are excluded from the full benefits of higher education due to economic and social factors beyond their control. Pace's sustained emphasis on excellence will be a which will guide decision-making regarding academic programs and other

Included dinner in Times Square

Tonight included Broadway Show: The Lion King A musical, The Lion King garnered two Academy Awards for its achievement in music and the Golden Globe Award for Best Motion Picture – Musical or Comedy. Songs were written by composer Elton John and lyricist Tim Rice, with an original score by Hans Zimmer



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**DAY 16**

Included breakfast at your hotel

This morning , board the Statue ferry to visit the **STATUE OF LIBERTY AND ELLIS ISLAND.**



The **Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World** was a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of the United States and is a universal symbol of freedom and democracy. The Statue of Liberty was dedicated on October 28, 1886, designated as a National Monument in 1924 and restored for her centennial on July 4, 1986. **Ellis Island....America's Golden Door.....**They came seeking freedom, opportunity, new lives. Over 12 million immigrants passed through the doors of Ellis Island between January 1, 1892 and November 1954, hoping to achieve the "American Dream". These people, and their descendants, have woven their way into the fabric of American life. They have helped create the America we know today.

Late afternoon time to explore the Chinatown and Little Italy districts.

Included dinner

Dinner will be included this evening before returning to your hotel to pack for tomorrow's departure.

**DAY 17**

Included breakfast at your hotel

**9: 00 AM**

Board coach and travel to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Included lunch at the Bourse in historic downtown Philadelphia



Afternoon see the **LIBERTY BELL** and the National Constitution Center.

The Liberty Bell's inscription conveys a message of liberty which goes beyond the words themselves. Since the bell was made, the words of the inscription have meant different things to different people. When William Penn created Pennsylvania's government he allowed citizens to take part in making laws and gave them the right to choose the religion they wanted. The colonists were proud of the freedom that Penn gave them. In 1751, the Speaker of the Pennsylvania Assembly ordered a new bell for the State House. He asked that a Bible verse to be placed on the bell - "Proclaim LIBERTY throughout all the Land unto all the inhabitants thereof" (Leviticus 25:10). As the official bell of the Pennsylvania State House (today called Independence Hall) it rang many times for public announcements.

The **National Constitution Center** in Historic Philadelphia is America's most interactive history museum. Located just two blocks from the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, it is the only museum devoted to the U.S. Constitution and the story of **We, the People.**

**3:00 PM**

Board coach and travel to Washington DC

Dinner stop will be included on route.

**8:30 PM**

Check into your hotel

Included breakfast at your hotel



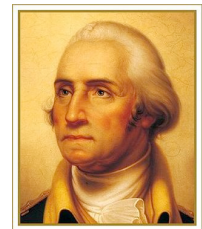
Our Nation's Capitol!

Your guide will take you on a guided tour of the **US CAPITOL BUILDING**. The United States Capitol in Washington, D.C., is among the most architecturally impressive and symbolically important buildings in the world. It has housed the meeting chambers of the Senate and the House of Representatives for almost two centuries. Begun in 1793, the Capitol has been built, burnt, rebuilt, extended, and restored; today, it stands as a monument not only to its builders but also to the

American people and their government.

First on our tour of Universities will be:

**GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.** The George Washington University is a private, coeducational, top-tier university located in Washington, D.C. The school was chartered on February 9, 1821 as The Columbian College in the District of Columbia by an Act of Congress and since that time has developed into a nonsectarian research institution. There are 9,700 full-time undergraduates studying in 87 majors with 1,500 in business, 500 in engineering, 2,000 in international affairs, 700 in communications and media, 800 in sciences and math, 2,900 in social sciences, and 1,300 in arts, languages, and humanities. Nearly 900 students participate in GW's Study Abroad Programs each semester in 50 countries. Additionally, about 125 entering students each fall join the University Honors Program community of 500 students. The George Washington University has been ranked by The Princeton Review as in Top 10 for the following categories: Most Politically Active, Dorms Like Palaces, Great College Towns and Best in the Northeast.



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Included lunch at the Marvin Center on Campus

This afternoon visit:



**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY.** Georgetown University is a Jesuit private university located in Georgetown, Washington, D.C. Father John Carroll founded the school in 1789, though its roots extend back to 1634. The University has approximately 6,853 undergraduate students and 4,490 graduate students on the main campus. Georgetown University offers undergraduate degrees in forty-eight majors in the four undergraduate schools, as well as the opportunity for students to design their own individualized courses of study. All majors in the College are open as minors to students in the College. Master's and doctoral programs are offered through the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the Law Center, the School of Medicine, and the School of Continuing Studies.

Included dinner at Carmines Restaurant



**Evening Illuminated monument** tour to include: The Lincoln, Korean, Vietnam and World War 11 Monuments



**DAY 19**

Included breakfast at your hotel  
Morning tour



**American University.** American University (AU) is a private United Methodist-affiliated research university in Washington, D.C., USA, the main campus of which comes to a corner at the intersection of Nebraska and Massachusetts Avenues at Ward Circle, straddling the Spring Valley, Wesley Heights, and American University Park neighborhoods of Northwest. Roughly 6,000 undergraduate students and 3,912 graduate students are currently enrolled. Though there is sometimes confusion, American University is separate from most "American Universities" around the world.

Included lunch at American University

Afternoon visit the **Smithsonian Museums on the National Mall**

You will have an opportunity to visit the **National Air and Space Museum**, the **Museum of Natural History**, the **American History Museum** and the **Portrait Gallery**. These collections are among the largest in the world.

The National Mall is not just a great place to visit our world class museums and national landmarks, but also a gathering place to picnic and attend outdoor festivals. Americans and visitors from all over the world have used the expansive lawn as a site for protests and rallies. The impressive architecture and natural beauty of the National Mall make it a unique place that celebrates and preserves our nation's history and democracy.

Included dinner this evening and evening tour of the **Jefferson and Lincoln Memorials**.





Included breakfast at your hotel

Morning visit **Arlington National Cemetery**

Welcome to Arlington National Cemetery, our Nation's most hallowed ground. This historic cemetery bears witness to our American heritage and the military service and sacrifice of men and women in uniform throughout our history.



We believe that caring for our Nation's heroes and their families during their time of need is a sacred duty entrusted to us. It is important for the American public to know that our Nation's veterans are laid to rest with dignity and honor at Arlington National Cemetery by a compassionate and dedicated work force. Each day, we strive for excellence. We are committed to ensuring America's confidence in the cemetery's operation.

Following our visit to Arlington National Cemetery, we will head to the **NEWSEUM**



The Newseum — a 250,000-square-foot museum of news — offers visitors an experience that blends five centuries of news history with up-to-the-second technology and hands-on exhibits.

The Newseum is located at the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and Sixth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., on America's Main Street between the White House and the U.S. Capitol and adjacent to the Smithsonian museums on the National Mall. The exterior's unique architectural features include a 74-foot-high marble engraving of the First Amendment and an immense front wall of glass through which passers-by can watch the museum fulfill its

mission of providing a forum where the media and the public can gain a better understanding of each other.

The Newseum features seven levels of galleries, theaters, retail spaces and visitor services. It offers a unique environment that takes museumgoers behind the scenes to experience how and why news is made.

Included lunch at the Newseum

Return to the hotel to freshen up for our **farewell evening** aboard the **Spirit of Washington**

Washington's historic waterfront and join in for a Spirit of Washington cruise in the mighty Potomac River. A Spirit dinner cruise is the perfect night out. A magical setting enhanced by dazzling city sights and harbor lights. An evening filled to the brim with wonderful cuisine, live music and dancing under a canopy of stars. For a party of two, a couple of couples, or a grand affair, this is the ultimate Washington experience.



## DAY 21

Included breakfast at your hotel.  
Pack our bags for departure home.  
Activities today to be determined after flight time has been confirmed.

Bon Voyage and see you soon!

### **Tour includes:**

Motor coach transportation on both coasts inclusive of driver gratuity  
20 nights hotel, taxes and private security  
20 breakfasts  
20 Dinners  
All admissions as listed on the itinerary  
Services of a full time tour manager

### **Airfare additional**

**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.***