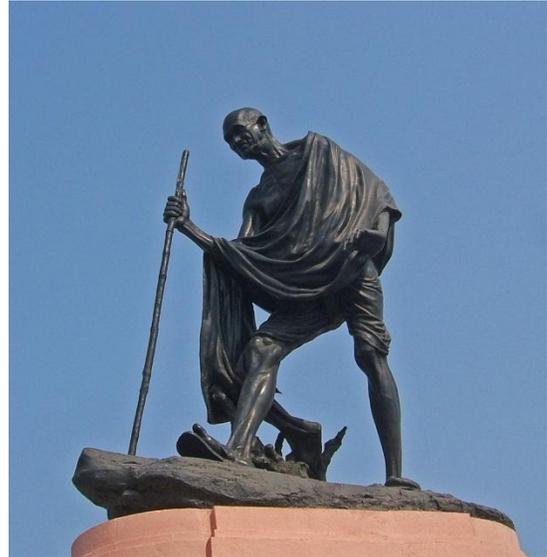
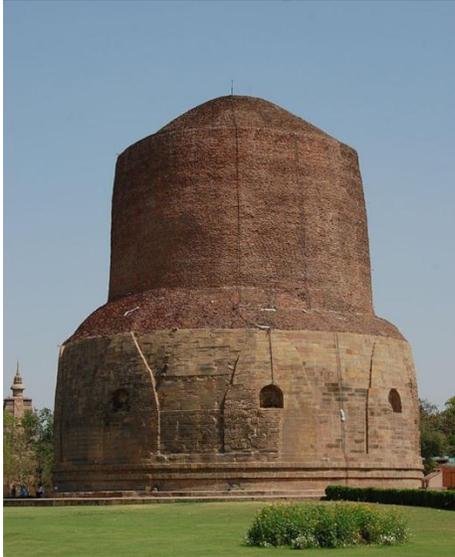


# India & Nepal Study Tour



## Walk in the Footsteps of Buddha and Gandhi

28 April –14 May 2013

History 2798 – Spring Semester 2013 and May Term 2013

The Ohio State University Marion Campus

**Overview:** This study tour has been planned to provide students with opportunities to study Indian culture, to provide first-hand view of India historically, geographically, politically, and economically, and to meet Indian students. This trip will provide students with a first-hand experience of the history and culture of India—a rising Asian world power in a globalizing world.

**Program:** The itinerary includes visits to key cities: New Dehli, Allahabad, Varanasi, Sarnath, Bodh Gaya, Gorakhpur, Murera, Kushinagar, Lumbini, Nepal, Agra, Vrindavan, Mathura, villages, markets, workshops, and universities.





**Participants:** Open to OSU, MTC, and CSCC students, staff, and faculty. Approximately fifteen applicants will be accepted into the study tour. The program is designed for individuals who have an interest in contemporary affairs, global studies and India's history, cultures, economy, and educational system.

**Academic Credit:** Students will register for 2 credit hours of History 2798, Spring Semester 2013, and 3 credit hours of History 2798, May Term 2013. Details regarding academic requirements and responsibilities will be provided upon request. The course will prepare and orient students for the study tour and acquaint students with Indian geography, ethnic groups, and religious institutions (Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Jainism, and Islam), as well as with social, political, and economic developments that have combined to produce a constantly evolving Indian nation. (Spring Semester on Fridays from 1 to 3:30 and May Term 2013.)

**Non-traditional students note:** Continuing Education students will register for 2 credit hours in Spring Semester 2013. Program 60 students will register for Spring Semester and May Term 2013.

OSUM students may apply for an OSUM Study Travel Grant.

**Dates:** The group will depart for India on Sunday, 28 April and will return on Tuesday, 14 May, 2013.

**Arrangements for Travel:**

**Price:** The tentative price of \$2500 includes: roundtrip air fare; guest houses with bath or shower throughout the itinerary based on double occupancy; all meals; all program related transportation in India; the total program abroad, including entrance fees, scheduled briefings, visits, tours, lectures, performances, and cultural events; baggage handling for one bag (not to exceed 44 lbs.); all air and land transfers with assistance; gratuities and taxes normally added to hotel bills; carefully selected English speaking guides; and gratuities for local guides and drivers.

**Not included in the price:** Passport (currently, \$135); Indian visa (currently \$76, including processing); Nepal visa (currently \$30, including processing); immunization

shots; meals not mentioned as scheduled; personal items such as a la carte orders, room service, and laundry charges; transportation to the departure city prior to the study tour and return to participants' homes following the study tour; health, flight cancellation, or baggage insurance; tuition and fees at The Ohio State University. Thus a student's expenses not included in the package are estimated at \$645.

**Deposit:** A deposit of \$350 per person will be required on one's admission to the program. The balance will be due no later than 25 January 2013.

**Application Deadline:** Applications will be accepted until Thursday, 1 November 2012. However, early application is encouraged since the number of spaces will be limited. Please note that we will need your passport information by Tuesday, 11 January 2013. Your passport must be valid through November 2013.

**Insurance:** Participants are required to be enrolled in Ohio State University's supplemental health insurance plan. Ohio State University makes available a health insurance program. Trip cancellation, baggage, and travel insurance is the responsibility of the student.

**Cancellation Policy:** The following cancellation/refund policy will be in effect for the study tour:

Full refund less \$100 for any cancellation received in writing up to 91 days before departure. After that period, the cancellation fees are as follows:

Number of Days Prior to Departure	Cancellation Fees as % of Total Tour Price
90 – 61	25%
60 – 45	50%
44 – 31	75%
30 – 0	100%

After the departure date, all unused services provided by pre-arrangement during the trip, including hotel accommodations, ground transportation, domestic or international flights, meals, and programmed experiences are neither refundable nor exchangeable.

**Required Meeting:** The Office of International Affairs requires that all participants attend an OIA orientation meeting on the OSU Marion Campus in January 2013.

(Please understand that there may be changes in the plan and costs are subject to airline and transportation costs.)



**Study Tour Leaders and Instructors:** The study tour is organized by Professors Steffel and Pandey with significant contributions from Professor Christie. Professor Pandey (Mathematics and OSUM Associate Dean) was raised and educated in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, which will be the focus of the field aspect of the study tour. Professor Steffel (History emeritus) taught World History at OSU and for Semester at Sea (University of Virginia). Professor Christie (Psychology emeritus and founding member of the Peace Studies division of the American Psychological Association) taught Peace Studies at OSU and also taught in Malaysia and for Semester at Sea.

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