Cuernavaca is the Capital City of the Mexican State of Morelos, and is known as “The City of Eternal Spring” due to its excellent temperate climate. It is located approximately one hour away from Mexico City. Cuernavaca is known as a relaxing city where both Mexicans and foreigners come to enjoy the clean air, and enjoy the incomparable climate. The city is filled with gardens, tennis courts, spa’s, golf courses, bathing resorts, restaurants and fine hotels. Cuernavaca has long been established as an international learning center for Mexico’s Language, Culture and history.

Other nearby attractions include:
- **Teopanzolco Pyramids and Archaeological Site**
- **Palace of Cortes and Cuauhnahuac Regional Museum**, dates from the colonial era, built in 1533 over a “Teocalli or Aztec Temple”. It served as the summer residence of the conqueror Hernan Cortes and houses one of Mexico’s finest museums which includes one of the most famous murals of Diego Rivera.
- **The Cathedral or Assumption’s Franciscan Ex-Convent and Guadalupe Church** Amazing architectural complex formed by an atrium surrounded by tall “battlemented” walls.
- **Jardin Borda**, Famous residence and garden built by Don Manuel de la Borda at the end of the XVII Century.
- **The Robert Barde House and Museum**
- **San Anton Waterfall**, Place of natural beauty with its spectacular 30 mts. cascade with access through a long stairway behind it. At the entrance you can purchase a great variety of ornamental plants and red clay pottery produced by the local people.
- **Hacienda de Atlatomulco**, which used to belong to Hernan Cortes and the **Hacienda de Temixco**, which is now converted into a bathing resort with 5 large swimming pools.
- **Many shopping districts**

For more information about Mexico, visit:
http://www.lonelyplanet.com

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Summer ESL Education Program  
June 1– June 23, 2007  
Universidad Internacional  
Cuernavaca, Mexico

Updated: 11/8/2006
Education: Cuernavaca, Mexico

Program Outline
This is a 3-week program for education students in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Students will study Spanish for Teachers as well as an ESL methods class which can be used for an endorsement for English as a second language. Students will depart SLC on Friday June 1st and depart Mexico on Sat. June 23rd.

Curriculum
This is a 3-week program for ESL Elementary or Secondary Education students in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Three USU courses will be offered and students will choose two of the following three classes depending on their specific needs:
ESOL Instructional Strategies (ELED/SCED 4760/6760 – Taught by Dr. Lisa Pray – 3 credits)
Diversity in Education (ELED/SCED 4710 – Taught by Dr. Martha Whitaker – 3 credits)
Spanish for Teachers (ELED/SCED 5000 Taught by onsite faculty from the Universidad Internacional - 3 credits (pass/fail course)
As part of the instructional content, field experiences in local schools will be provided.
ESOL Instructional Strategies and Diversity in Education can be used toward the students' English as a Second Language (ESL) endorsement. The Spanish for Teachers class can be used as an elective.

Credit
Participants will earn 6 credits for the program. Graduate students will register for the ELED/SCED 6760 and complete the additional graduate level work as assigned. Students must work with their academic advisor/ faculty leader for course approval to meet USU graduation requirements. Grades and credits factor into the USU GPA.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Eligibility Requirements
Minimum age of 18
Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
Valid passport

Program Cost
~$1695
Includes: tuition, housing, meals, two local excursions, airport transportation to and from site in Mexico, and medical insurance
Not included: airfare from US to Mexico, local transportation, and incidental expenses.
In case of insufficient registration or fluctuation in exchange rates, USU reserves the right to adjust program costs or cancel the program.
USU financial aid may apply.

Application Process and Deadline
Applications are available and due at the USU Study Abroad Office, TSC Room 313.
Program application and non-refundable $100 application fee (unless determined ineligible) due: Friday, February 9, 2007
$500 payment due: Friday, March 9, 2007
~$1,150 balance due: Friday, April 6, 2007

For more specific details on medical insurance, liability, and other important parts of the study abroad experience, please visit the USU Study Abroad Office, TSC 313.

Accommodations
Students will be housed in shared rooms with local Mexican families. Students will be able to walk to the university or transportation to classes will be provided by the families. The host families will provide room and board with daily meal service. Because Spanish is the only language spoken in the homes, living with a family provides a wonderful opportunity to practice the Spanish language and learn more about Mexican customs. No student may reside in housing other than that provided by the program.

Pre-departure Orientation
Participants are required to attend pre-departure orientation(s) held to provide program and cultural information. Participants will be notified in advance of these orientations.

Travel
Students will depart to Mexico City on Friday, June 1, 2007 and return to Salt Lake City on Sunday, June 23, 2007.
Prices will be arranged for roundtrip travel to Mexico.
Students will be met at the airport and roundtrip Pullman bus service to Cuernavaca will be provided for those choosing to travel with the group.

Admission criteria include past/current academic performance, ability to favorably represent USU abroad, and potential for success in the program. Acceptance is subject to program leader approval.