

Alternative Spring Break - March 2019 - Participant Application

Due Friday, October 26, 2018 by 5:00pm Crawford 129

The Center for Career and Civic Engagement is seeking participant applications for the 2019 Alternative Spring Break program. Each trip will be led by a trained student leader, in addition to a faculty/staff member from Winthrop University. To be considered for this Alternative Spring Break Experience, please fill out and sign the attached application and return it to Laura Foster in Crawford. Applications will be considered according to space availability.

There will be two different ASB Trips.

- **Washington, DC** is known for its distinction as our nation's capital. This patriotic destination is host to some of the greatest political figures and decision makers. Unfortunately, some residents of DC do not share in our capitals abundant resources. *The Washington Post* reports that approximately one out of every five residents lives at or below the poverty threshold. The Washington, DC break experience will be ignited under the guidance of The Steinbruck Center, advocates for the homeless and poverty stricken populations of DC. <http://www.steinbruckcenter.org/> Service will entail working with transitional housing, soup kitchens, and advocacy professionals. The focus for the ASB trip to Washington, DC is **poverty and hunger**.
- **St. Joseph Bay, FL:** Journey to the beautiful cost of Florida and become immersed in the sounds of the sea and the beauty of the sunsets. Winthrop students' will spend a week of service at the St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve (SJBSBP) where the goals include the conservation, protection, and restoration of important ecosystems and landscapes in order to protect significant surface water, coastal, recreational, fish, and wildlife resources. The preserve provides protection for native species habitat and archaeological and historical sites, as well as opportunities for natural resource-based recreation. The focus of the trip is **environmental cause and effect**.

Trip Details:

Each trip will cost \$227.00 – \$331.00; this covers meals at the site, transportation, housing and some extracurricular activities.

- Free time is scheduled for participants to sightsee and relax on all ASB experiences. We suggest bringing along a little extra spending cash.
- Students must provide bedding (sheets, pillows, and blankets), toiletries, and towels.
- ASB experiences are drug and alcohol free at ALL times. This includes evening hours and/or free time regardless of age.

Have questions about ASB 2019? Please contact Laura Foster in the Center for Career & Civic Engagement at fosterl@winthrop.edu or by phone at (803) 323-2141. Please feel free to drop by Crawford with any questions.

Alternative Spring Break 2019 Participant Application

Please return to Laura Foster in Career and Civic Engagement in the Crawford Building.

Due Friday, October 26, 2018

Name: _____ Age: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Student WU Number _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Local Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Class Year: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate

Major/Minor: _____

Hometown: _____

T-shirt size: Small Medium Large XL XXL

Have you participated in ASB before? Yes No

If yes, what year? 2015 2016 2017 2018

If no, have you applied for ASB before? Yes No

If applicable, please list any special needs: _____

If applicable, please list any allergies: _____

Please rank your ASB trip preference, with 1 for your first choice and 2 for your last choice. If there is a trip that you are *unwilling to attend*, please mark an X in front of the trip.

_____ **St. Joseph Bay, Florida (/11 – 3/17) Environmental Cause & Effect - cost \$227.00**

_____ **Washington, DC (3/11 – 3/16) Poverty & Hunger - cost \$331.00**

Please answer the following questions in essay form. Answers should total no more than 2 pages double spaced.

1. What motivates you to participate in an Alternative Spring Break Trip?
2. How do you see yourself or your skill-set contributing to the group and to the community that you will serve?
3. Please list any leadership and service activities you have been involved with at Winthrop University and/or elsewhere. Choose one of these activities and explain how it impacted your life.

Please sign below to verify that, if accepted, you intend to take part in ASB 2019 the week of March 10 - 15, 2019. By signing, you agree to participate in all pre-departure meetings, pay an initial 75.00 /85.75 deposit, and abstain from the use of drugs and alcohol while participating in ASB. By signing, you also accept that if you cancel after being accepted, you will not receive a refund or partial refund of payments made. **The balance must be paid in full by February 15, 2019.**

Signature

Date

Payment Schedule:

Deposit of \$86.00 DC/ \$75.50 FL due on or before November 16, 2018

Second Payment \$85.00 DC/ \$50.50 FL due on or before January 11, 2019

Third Payment of \$85.00 DC/ \$ 50.50 FL due on or before January 25, 2019

Balance Due of \$75.00 DC/ \$50.50 FL on or before February 15, 2019

Payments are nonrefundable and must be paid on time to guarantee a spot on a trip. Fundraising activities are encouraged. Any fundraising activities must be approved. Participation in fundraising by trip participants will be applied to their personal balance and deducted from cost of trip.

Applications Due: October 26, 2018.

Crawford 129

By 5:00pm