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What is Community Outreach?

- UConn CO is a program that works with students to engage within and outside our own community to educate and prepare students for life long community collaboration
- Alternative breaks is one of the many programs offered!





What is Alt Breaks?

- Service-learning experiences
- Heighten participants' awareness of critical social issues, enhance their individual growth, and prepare them for lifelong community collaboration
- 8 Components









<u>This Program:</u> Cherokee Nation and Rural Life

I'm Meg, the Student Program Director for this program

The goals of this program is to learn about Cherokee Life and engage in activities to support the community contributing to our longstanding relationship with the Cherokee Nation. Through meaningful interactions, we aim to gain insights into the profound significance of Cherokee Nation culture, awareness, and history while working on projects for the local community.

Cherokee Nation and Rural Life Continued

Where: Cherokee Nation, Oklahoma

Partner: Cherokee Nation

Housing site: Community center with sleeping

bags on the floor or cots

Travel: Fly and then rent 2 vans for local travel

When: Spring break (March 15-March 21)

Cost: \$360 - covers travel, housing, food, but <u>not</u> personal purchases

• Financial aid can be given if applicable



***based on last year, information subject to change



Logistics

- 6 pre-program meetings
 - Education, orientation, preparation
- This is a <u>service learning trip!</u>
 - This is <u>not</u> a vacation
 - We are looking for students who are interested in community collaboration and learning how to make an impact
- Service
 - direct and indirect service
 - engaging with the community through building, staining decks, and cleaning with and for community members.



Sample Schedule

Monday March 15th

Wake up 7:15

- Make breakfast
- Get ready
- Pack Lunch

9:00

Travel to service site

9:30-12:00

Service

12:00-1:00

• Lunch

1:00-4:00

Service

4:00-4:30

Travel back to housing site

4:30-7:30

- Cook dinner
- Eat dinner
- Clean up from dinner

7:30-8:30

Reflection

8:30-10:00

Free time/ community bonding

10:00

Lights out



FAQ

- What does the cost cover?
 - Food, transportation, housing
 - Not personal costs
- Do I need to identify as Native American?
 - No, we are looking for students open to learn and interested in community collaboration
- Are there options for accommodations?
 - Yes! Email uconn.co.altbreaks@gmail.com
- Can I apply for multiple programs?
 - Yes, there is a ranking on the application where you can rank your top three programs.

