



Frequently Asked Questions: 2011-2012 Spring Break Trips

What is DGLP?

DGLP is a student run organization designed to help Dartmouth students develop leadership skills focusing on cultural competency and global awareness while working in under resourced communities in Hartford, Houston, and Honduras.

When do the projects take place?

Each of the three projects takes place after winter term and spans the entirety of Dartmouth's spring break. But participants **MUST** be on (or in Hanover) in the winter to be eligible.

Where and with whom do the projects take place?

Hartford project: takes place in Hartford, VT with Hartford High School.

Houston project: takes place in Houston, TX with Citizen's School, a junior high school, and Lee High school.

Honduras project: takes place in El Rosario, Honduras.

Where do we stay?

Hartford project: students stay at the organic farm and make trips back to campus.

Houston project: students stay at a private home.

Honduras project: students stay at the ACTS bunkhouse.

Who goes on each project?

Each project consists of 2 project leaders and 7-10 project participants. Linda Kennedy, DGLP's adviser, and members from ACTS will accompany the Honduras project.

Who are this year's project leaders?

Hartford project: Jane Cai '13 and Jennifer Liu '12

Houston project: Richard Asala '13 and Allyson Gittens '12

Honduras project: Sabrina Jimenez-Pantoja '13 and Natalia Agredo '13

What is the time commitment?

Project leaders and participants will meet at least once a week during winter term to discuss the design and implementation of their project. In addition, each group will work towards fundraising for the trip's cost.

What is the cost?

Typically the cost for the Hartford trip is \$100, the Houston trip is \$200, and the Honduras trip is \$300. These costs are not likely to change much and cover all airfare and meals. However, if a participant chooses to withdraw from the program after the airplane tickets are bought, he or she will have to pay the full cost of the airfare, which ranges from \$300-500.

Is there anything else I need to know about the Hartford project?

This project focuses on students with disabilities, school administration, under resourced communities, and teaching about diversity.

Is there anything else I need to know about the Houston project?

This project focuses on teaching junior high and high school students college access skills, immigrant students, and students who know English as a second language.

Is there anything else I need to know about the Honduras project?

It is important that everyone on this project knows Spanish, as you will be interacting with community members only in Spanish. Each participant must also have a passport that will be valid through June 2011. This project focuses on teaching young members of the village leadership skills, rural poverty, and deals with communities with low levels of education.

How does the application process work?

Class years 2014 and older are eligible to apply for the program. Please fill out the DGLP participant application and blitz back to the DGLP account no later than October 24th at 11:59pm. Short interviews will be held during the week of October 24th and final decisions will be made by November 4th. Applicants are encouraged to apply for as many projects as they want and to rank their preferences on the application.

What is the best way to contact DGLP?

The best way is to blitz the account: "DGLP". We will try to answer your questions as fast as we can!