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A V E R M O N T S T A T E C O L L E G E

Study Abroad Program — South India

Course Title: The Spiritual Traditions of India	Semester: Spring
Course Title: The Philosophy of Indian Sacred Art	Contact Hours: 90
Site: South India	Instructor: Jim Hagan
Academic Credits: 6	

Course Description

Our South India program is offered during the winter break each year. The program takes place in Bangalore, Chennai, Mahabalipuram, Kumbakonam, and Varkala. During this intensive study abroad program students will study the Spiritual Traditions of India – Hinduism, Jainism and Buddhism. Each day the classroom will be a different temple or monastery where students will study Hindu, Jain and Buddhist philosophy, art, architecture and culture. There will be visits to many museums and artist foundries where students will learn the philosophy of India's sacred art and how it is created. Students will also learn and practice yoga and meditation during this program.

Course Objectives

- To learn about India's Spiritual Traditions.
- To study Indian philosophy – Hindu, Jain and Buddhist.
- To study India's sacred art and temple architecture.
- To directly experience Indian culture.
- To learn and practice Hindu, Buddhist and Jain yoga and meditation.

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