**Hmong of Southeast Asia: History, Culture, and Education**  
*History 491 Travel Study*

### LOCATION
Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Golden Triangle, Ayutthaya, and Bangkok (Thailand), Luang Prabang, Phonsavan, Vientiane (Laos)

### DURATION
Winterim 2020  
Dec. 28, 2019 - Jan. 18, 2020 (Tentative travel)

### REQUIREMENTS
Minimum of 2.5 GPA, at least second semester freshman status, & good disciplinary standing. Consent of instructor

### LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION:
English

### Course Selection:
HISTORY 491

### THE PROGRAM
This three-credit course is designed to provide opportunities for U.S. college students to explore the history, culture, and education of the Hmong in Laos and Thailand through experiential learning and visits to many of the sites where history was made. Themes include legacy of colonialism and war, economic development, education, culture (food, religion, and traditions), refugee and transnational migration, tourism, and globalization. It is open to all students enrolled in U.S. higher education institutions who are interested in this part of the world. In addition to readings and lectures, students will be able to interact with and learn from a variety of professionals in these multi-ethnic nations. All students accepted into the program will be required to attend two orientation sessions.

### APPLICATION
**Apply Online:**  
[www.uww.edu/international](http://www.uww.edu/international)

**Application deadline:** Jun 28th

After you apply to the program apply for the WI Grant and Scholarships:


**WI Grant Deadline:** Oct 15  
**Scholarship Deadline:** Oct 15
FEES AND EXPENSES

Estimated Program Fee:
TBD

FEES INCLUDE:
- Airfare and local transportation
- Local Tours/ accommodations
- Indicated group meals
- Visas for Laos and Thailand
- UW System academic abroad insurance

*The estimated program fee is based on 14 paying participants. The actual program fee will be established mid-term when the university has paid all items on behalf of the student.

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THE TENTATIVE TRAVEL ITINERARY

Dec 28: Depart for Bangkok, Thailand from Chicago ( ORD) airport.
Dec 31: Morning Market, Lao National University, National Congress of Lao People Revolutionary Party, Night Market by the Mekong River
Jan 1: KM 52 and Hmong New Year
Jan 2: Depart for Phonsavan (by van); Arrive in Phonsovan at night.
Jan 3: Phonsavan Morning Market; Plains of Jars/UXO Visitor Center; Vietnam War/Lao War Memorials
Jan 4: Phonsavan Grave Monuments of Hmong leaders and Status of Lo Bliayao in Phak Lak/Nong Het
Jan 5: Depart for Luang Prabang (by van); arrive in Luang Prabang at night
Jan 6: Luang Prabang Buddhist Almsgiving Ritual in morning; Royal Lao Palace, and Tad Sae or Kuang Si waterfall & night market
Jan 7: Luang Prabang Luang Prabang Morning Market; Long Lao Mai Hmong village
Jan 8: Flight to Chiang Mai; Ban Hmong; Walking Street Night Market
Jan 9: Doi Suthep; Doi Pui
Jan 10: Chiang Mai University; Payap University; Chinatown where Hmong sell Pajntaub
Jan 11: Chiang Rai/Golden Triangle Sip Song Phana Hmong Village
Jan 12: Chiang Mai Hmong village Khub Chiang Khian; Mon Jam
Jan 13: Flight to Bangkok Visit Chulalongkorn university; Thammasat University
Jan 14: Bangkok Grand Palace; Emerald Buddha Temple
Jan 15: Wat Tham Krabok in Saraburi
Jan. 16 Visit Ancient City of Ayutthaya and return to Bangkok
Jan 17: Damnoen Saduak Floating market in the morning
Jan. 18 Depart Bangkok; arrive back in Chicago on the 18th as well.