

As a language major it might be difficult to study abroad and still take the courses required for your major. However, there are several host institutions that allow you to fulfill course requirements and experience the cultural diversity of studying in South Africa. If you are studying language, you will be able to learn familiar topics from a different perspective through both traditional language courses and courses unique to your host country's experience. The following is a sample of courses available. Contact Interstudy for a complete listing and more information at 800.663.1999.

SOUTH AFRICA

University of the Western Cape

Afrikaans Taalverwerwing 101

At the end of the course students should be able to: Understand basic oral communication in Afrikaans, respond to Afrikaans speakers in a comprehensible manner, read and understand basic Afrikaans written texts on a variety of topics, use basic Afrikaans as a means of written communication and comprehend fundamental Afrikaans cultural norms and traditions.

Xhosa Language Acquisition 111

At the end of this module the learner should understand the position of Xhosa relevant to the other languages in South Africa, be able to participate in elementary communicative interaction in the classroom and on campus, asking and responding to questions, have the vocabulary and grammatical competence needed in these contexts, have the reading and writing skills needed in the learning and communication processes.

Stellenbosch University

59048-144 Afrikaans for Beginners

This course targets new foreign students with no knowledge of Afrikaans. This is a fun-filled course offering you a linguistic and cultural taste of Afrikaans as a language in a wider cultural context. It aims to develop students' ability: to speak social Afrikaans; to listen to and understand the gist of social conversation; to read and understand the gist of short stories, advertisements and notices; basic grammar; vocabulary and idiomatic structures are taught in a defocused manner

57886-144 isiXhosa Language & Culture

The course aims to introduce non-isiXhosa speakers to the isiXhosa language and culture; to empower them with multilingual skills; and to enable them to engage in meaningful conversation at beginner's level. At the end of this semester course, students will be able to use a basic isiXhosa vocabulary for social communication in a variety of contexts.

University of KwaZulu-Natal, Howard College (Durban)

Afrikaans for Beginners

The goal of this course is to give students a basic competency in Afrikaans reading writing comprehension and oral skills. This will introduce students to Afrikaans grammar and sentence structure with a focus on vocabulary

ZULUN101 Basic isiZulu language Studies

This course aims to achieve elementary fluency in both the oral and written language through intensive training with audio-visual material. This course offers basic grammar history and culture of the amaZulu.

SOUTH AFRICA

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University

LAB101 Afrikaans For Beginners 101

This module will prepare students to communicate effectively on an intermediate Beginner's level by using language functions and languages structures correctly.

LXP111 Xhosa For Beginners 1

This course deals with the introduction of Xhosa communication: Greetings, Say your name, where you stay, about family, Xhosa nouns and verbs etc., taking nouns and verbs to the next level where one could form short sentences, talking and reading in isiXhosa is practised all the time and tenses are being introduced in this module.

Summer Program: University of KwaZulu-Natal, Howard College (Durban)

Zulu Language and Culture

The language part of the course focuses on communication. The students are gradually taken through simple every day situations for which they are taught appropriate vocabulary and grammatical structures. The course is intensive and interactive.

The cultural aspect of the course will focus on the Zulu cultural traditions and heritage which include Zulu customs and the belief system.

Attention is also paid to how urbanisation and industrialisation has impacted the culture. Students will spend one full Saturday touring Zulu areas of Durban and visiting a Zulu home (the tour is available to everyone whether they are taking the course or not).