

Dear Members of Parul University,

On behalf of the University of The Incarnate Word, Campus San Antonio, we send you a cordial greeting and congratulate you for the high levels of educational quality achieved in your institution during the last years. In our interest to attract international students of high potential we have given ourselves the task of contacting you and exploring future links of collaboration and educational exchange.

The University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) was founded in 1881 by the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. UIW is the largest Catholic University in the state of Texas with more than 10,000 students. Located in the heart of San Antonio, UIW is recognized for its academic excellence, superb facilities and experienced teachers, attracting a large number of international students from more than 70 countries who now consider their new home UIW.

Our extensive educational offering includes more than 80 undergraduate, master's and doctoral programs. Additionally, we have over 10 years experience hosting international students and scholars for short term programs.

The Department of International Affairs at UIW in collaboration with Parul University has developed a short term intensive Cultural and Experiential Learning Program for Engineering students from March 17, 2019 through April 6, 2019. This program has been designed for students to expand their knowledge base, theories and practices in the field of Engineering and to give opportunity for personal and professional development through a multicultural vision.

## UIW Cultural and Experiential Learning Program

This program combines workshop projects, cultural interactions, trips and visits to tourist sites that make it an unparalleled experience. This 3 week program will allow the student to improve their level of English through immersion in U.S. daily life, experience a university setting at UIW and visit local attractions in San Antonio, Texas. In this way, the student can transfer all the knowledge acquired in the classroom to everyday situations, while exploring the culture and student life in the United States.

### Topics of the workshop include:

Engineering in the U.S.	Guest UIW Faculty members will give overview of Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Architecture Engineering, and Automobile Engineering
Engineering Graphics and Design	UIW Faculty-run workshop will introduce computer aided drafting. Student will learn the basics of technical drawing and

	mechanical design and will gain experience with engineering design and technical writing. Topics will include: teamwork, the design process, problem solving using the computer, and the use of presentation tools.
Computer Programming for Math, Sciences and Engineering	This workshop covers programming for mathematics, science, and engineering majors. Topics include: data types and related operations, floating point errors, input/output of data, control structures, functions, arrays, data structure, files and string processing. Program design, debugging techniques and good programming practices will also be discussed. Programming exercises and projects will emphasize problems and applications in mathematics, sciences and engineering fields.
Special Topic Workshop in Engineering	Topics may include studies of construction, design, soils, structures, electronics, surveying, environment, conservation, or other current areas of interest in engineering.
UIW LEED Platinum Solar House Tour and Project	The Solar Home is the culmination of a five-year project designed and constructed under the direction of Dr. Alison Whittemore, chair, UIW Department of Engineering and Physics and Project Manager Daniel Potter '01 BS. The Solar Home serves as a visitor center and outreach facility; and serves as an inspiration for technical innovation to students and the community.
Ettling Center for Civic Leadership	Participate in a hands-on Community Service projects with UIW students. Projects will be completed with one of UIW's 80+ community partners.

### Site Seeing, Tourist visits and UIW events:

- Downtown San Antonio and Riverwalk, The Alamo, Tower of the Americas
- The Pearl market area, Farmers Market days
- Local Museums and Galleries: Witte Museum, San Antonio Museum of Art and McNay Art Museum, Institute of Texan Cultures Museum
- San Antonio Historical Missions
- Commanders San Antonio Football Game
- Enchanted Rock State Natural Area Park
- San Antonio Spurs International Night Game
- UIW Holi – Festival of Colors event
- San Marcos Outlet Shopping Centers
- UIW Sports and Community Events

## Vistor Visa Process

This program introduces international visitors to San Antonio, Texas, American culture, and is geared to expose participants with visits to local museums, businesses and other major tourist attractions. Based on the purposes of the program, participants are to apply for the issuance of the B-2 Tourist Visa at the nearest U.S. Embassy.

The program is not affiliated to a degree or non-degree program and visitors will **not** participate in classroom instruction or lectures at UIW. As there would be no classroom experience, an I-20 or DS-2019 **would not** be issued to participate in this program.

## Housing, Program Dates & Funding

Since the program is held at on the premises of UIW, participants will stay in UIW residence halls at 847 E. Hildebrand, San Antonio, Texas 78212. The program will begin on March 17, 2019 and end on April 6, 2019. Due to the Parul University academic calendar, these are the only dates available for this program. We approve and support an expedited Visa process for this group.

Please keep in mind that each participant is responsible for funding personal expenses; which may include transportation and amenities throughout their stay.