

Inquiry into Other Cultures

Inspired by UT's "Ready for the World" initiative, this course will explore countries and cultures outside of the United States—and possibly unfamiliar “subcultures” in the United States as well—from a variety of perspectives and in a variety of ways. (For more information about Ready for the World, see <http://www.utk.edu/readyfortheworld> .) The best part of this course is that class meetings themselves will be international experiences. This is a cross-listed course, containing students from both English 102 and English 132 (first-year composition for non-native speakers). Since most of the 132 students come from other countries, they will provide very interesting perspectives on our discussion of culture. In addition to the knowledge gained from meeting these and other international students and experiencing music, visual art, films, and literature from other countries, you will acquire information about global cultures through academic research and attending lectures or other activities sponsored by the “Ready for the World” program. Hopefully, this course will help you understand your own culture more fully, stimulate a desire for further exploration of cultures outside your own, perhaps opening up possibilities for future travel and work opportunities, and help you become a better global citizen.