



Academic Alternative Spring Break

MAKE A *March 19-25, 2007*

DIFFERENCE

Slidell, LA



Spring 2007 | CSV 302 Section 4 | Tuesday 3:30-5:00 | 3 Credits

Details & information: Contact Gail Faris, URI Women's Center at gailfaris@uri.edu or 874-5464
(registration by permission number only)

Join other University of Rhode Island students engaging in a program that combines academic preparation and a spring break of service in a three-credit course for the Spring 2007 semester

WHAT IS IT: AASB is a three-credit course under CSV 302. Beginning on Tuesday, January 23rd, 3:30 – 5:00pm, this class will explore issues of poverty such as homelessness, political communities, economics and will link with Habitat for Humanity as a community partner. At the time of Spring Break, March 19th -25th, students will travel to Slidell, Louisiana (30 miles from New Orleans, on the northeast side of Lake Pontchartrain) for a week-long service experience. Following this, students will continue in the classroom for continued learning and reflection.

DO YOU QUALIFY: Are you a URI student? Are you on the verge of being a civically engaged community member? Will you be able to support yourself financially for this trip and service experience? Fundraising during the semester will be important! Are you willing to participate in group fundraising? These are some of the criteria for participation...does this sound like a class for you?

WHAT DO YOU GIVE TO IT: You would have to give an open mind, a commitment to communication and reflection, the ability to work hard physically, think hard mentally, and a willingness to give a strong consideration to being continually engaged in civic endeavors.

WHAT DO YOU GET FROM IT:

- You will get 3 credits
- You will get a deeper understanding of the social, economic and political issues affecting the most disenfranchised in this society
- You will have a primer in civic engagement possibly to benefit your own community
- You will create excellent resume material
- You will work with a group of students and faculty in a close professional relationship
- You will be learning while doing and will be viewing a topic from all aspects, including side-by-side work with the people intimately involved
- **YOU WILL REMEMBER THIS PROGRAM AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT OF YOUR COLLEGE CAREER**

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