

Alternative Spring Break (ASB) Application 2010-2011 Information sheet

Suffolk University and the S.O.U.L.S. Office are offering **six trips during spring break** for those who want to spend their break giving back to different communities. The trips will focus on Poverty Relief, Environmental Justice and Equal Rights.

Four trips will be working with **Habitat for Humanity's** Collegiate Challenge. These trips will each visit one of the 200 host affiliates throughout the United States. For a week, students will work with the local affiliate, the local community, and families to help people living in substandard housing. For more information please log on to: www.habitat.org

One trip will be focusing on **environmental issues**. These students will work with the Nature Conservancy to help protect ecologically important lands and water for nature and people. They will address threats to conservation involving climate change, fresh water, oceans and conservation lands. For more information log on to: www.nature.org

One trip will be focusing on **Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Transsexual (LGBT)** issues. The students will be working with the Triangle Foundation, a statewide organization focused on education, human rights and political power to promote equality and eliminate discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. For more information log on to: www.equalitymi.org

When:

Suffolk University's spring break: March 13th - 19th, 2011

Where:

Habitat for Humanity trips will be going to the following locations:

-Denver, CO

-three will be announced as soon as they are determined

The Environmental trip will be announced soon.

The LGBT trip will be going to Detroit, MI

Classes:

The Denver trip and another Habitat for Humanity trip have an academic component attached to them, EHS-210-SL, a service learning class that will focus on social issues pertaining to the Alternative Spring Break trip you chose. **This class is only mandatory for the Denver, CO and another Habitat for Humanity trip.** Your acceptance does not require you to take the class for any other trips. All students interested in receiving academic credit for the ASB experience should sign up for the course.

Cost:

Students accepted into the Alternative Spring Break trip are required to raise \$100 by February 1st. This can be as easy as asking 10 friends to donate 10 dollars to your cause! If you are unable to raise the funds by the deadline you will be responsible for the \$100 payment. Suffolk University will cover all other expenses such as: lodging, food, transportation and airfare.

Alternative Spring Break Application
March 13th-19th

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Major: _____ Class Year: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Please list name, phone and e-mail for two references: (i.e. faculty members, employers) you should not list friends or family members.

Name	Phone	E-mail
1. _____		
2. _____		

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following questions and hand them in with your application. You must type all your answers. Please return the application to the S.O.U.L.S. center or submit by e-mail to: souls.asb@gmail.com by **5 p.m. on Friday, October 15, 2010**, but please keep in contact with the S.O.U.L.S. center to make sure we have received it.

1. This year Alternative Spring Break will be focusing on the following issues: Environmental Justice, Poverty, and Equal Rights. Are you significantly connected to any of these issues and why? What specific challenges do you think communities who are affected by these issues face? Why is participating in an Alternative Spring Break or volunteering in general important to you? And what do you hope to gain from ASB?
 2. One of the goals of ASB is to expose students to a diverse range of situations and people to create a better understanding of social needs in our society. Please share a time when you have experienced a diverse environment and what you learned from that experience.
 3. Would you be interested in taking EHS-210-SL: Alternative Spring Break?
Yes
No
Depends on which trip/issue the course focuses on.
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1. As a part of the application process we are planning on interviewing a majority of the applicants. On the back of this page, please check off as many days/ times possible that work best for you and we will contact you to set up an interview.

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Thank you very much for applying. Please do not hesitate to call or e-mail us with questions.
S.O.U.L.S. Community Service and Service Learning Center: 617-305-6306
or souls.asb@gmail.com

Thank You,
ASB Group Leaders