



Virginia Tech RSAP Summer 2018

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Each year, CLI partners with a select number of universities to create one-of-a-kind, fully customizable study experiences around the world. With careful guidance from CLI's team of American and international educators, Virginia Tech RSAP students will gain invaluable insight into South Africa's distinctive history and the inner workings of some of its most relevant industries.

CLI provides three core services: (1) assistance in developing your program itinerary; (2) comprehensive pre-departure support (see www.studycli.org/rsapafrika18); and (3) facilitation of all logistical provisions (e.g., domestic and international airfare, buses, hotel accommodations, restaurant recommendations and bookings, activity planning, and CLI program leaders).

Please note that while the spirit of the below schedule will remain unchanged, certain aspects — in consultation with VT faculty leaders — are subject to be updated. Company visits are typically scheduled one to four months prior to program start date. As a result, our proposal includes a few placeholders for unspecified visits. Each will be specified in the months leading up to May 2018, and this process will be completed in close collaboration with Virginia Tech faculty leaders. CLI maintains a strong track record of providing engaging and impactful company visits to both highly localized firms as well as multinational corporations.

As always, please feel free to contact us anytime if you have questions, requests, and/or suggestions during the program planning and implementation process.

Our team looks forward to welcoming VT RSAP to South Africa in 2018!

MAY 14 - MAY 16: JOHANNESBURG | INNOVATION IN THE HEART OF SOUTH AFRICA

DAY 1 | SUNDAY, MAY 13 (WASHINGTON DC TO JOHANNESBURG)

All Day Fly from Washington DC to Johannesburg

DAY 2 | MONDAY, MAY 14 (JOHANNESBURG)

Afternoon/Evening Arrive in Johannesburg and check into the hotel (either in Melville or Sandton)
While traveling by private coach into Johannesburg, engage in a comprehensive program orientation to understand and conceptualize the journey ahead.

Evening Enjoy a group welcome dinner (subject to arrival time)

DAY 3 | TUESDAY, MAY 15 (JOHANNESBURG)

Early Morning Explore the Apartheid Museum and learn about South Africa's complex 20th century history (arrive at museum for 9:00 AM open)



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Late Morning	Visit the township of Soweto <i>Walk the paths of influential figures from South Africa's history like Nelson Mandela, Winnie Mandela, and Bishop Desmond Tutu. Stop by their former homes and chat with local residents for a glimpse into the community's history.</i>
Noon	Group lunch
Early Afternoon	Continue exploring the Soweto township and meeting with local residents
Late Afternoon	Company site visit
Evening	Small group dinners on your own in Sandton

DAY 4 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 (JOHANNESBURG)

Morning	Engineering site visit to a gold mine <i>Travel into the depths of a mine to learn about the history of Johannesburg's gold rush, and to see how the mining industry and its technology has advanced.</i>
Noon	Group lunch
Afternoon	Visit the engineering department of a university in Johannesburg <i>Engage in one-on-one cultural exchange activities, tour the campus with local university students as guides, and attend a guest lecture highlighting some of South Africa's most significant engineering projects.</i>
Evening	Small group dinners on your own in Sandton

MAY 17 - MAY 22: PRETORIA & KRUGER | ENCOUNTERS WITH AFRICAN WILDLIFE

DAY 5 | THURSDAY, MAY 17 (JOHANNESBURG TO PRETORIA)

Early Morning	Check out of hotel and travel by bus to the Ann van Dyk Cheetah Centre (~1 hr)
Late Morning	Embark on a tour of the Cheetah Centre <i>During this tour, gain an up-close look at one of Africa's famous big cats. The centre has gained international recognition for being the first breeder of the rare king cheetah.</i>
Noon	Group lunch
Early Afternoon	Continue on to Pretoria (~50 min); check into hotel
Late Afternoon	Company visit
Evening	Free time to explore Pretoria and small group dinners on your own

DAY 6 | FRIDAY, MAY 18 (PRETORIA)

Morning	Company site visit
Noon	Group lunch
Afternoon/Evening	Free time and small group dinners on your own



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DAY 7 | SATURDAY, MAY 19 (PRETORIA TO KRUGER NATIONAL PARK)

Morning	Check out of hotel; travel by bus to Kruger National Park (~4 hours) and check into accommodations
Noon	Group lunch
Afternoon	Attend an afternoon game drive tour in the park <i>Experience one of Africa's largest and most famous game reserves while traveling through the park in a 4x4 Jeep with an expert ranger as your guide. The park is home to hundreds of diverse species, including each of the big five: lions, leopards, elephants, rhinos and buffalos. An experience to remember!</i>
Evening	Enjoy a group dinner in the park

DAY 8 | SUNDAY, MAY 20 (KRUGER NATIONAL PARK)

Early Morning	Embark on an early morning wildlife tour
Late Morning	Free time
Noon	Group lunch
Afternoon	Site visit to a nearby village and explore the highly localized technologies being utilized to sustain the community
Evening	Group dinner with local villagers

DAY 9 | MONDAY, MAY 21 (KRUGER NATIONAL PARK TO JOHANNESBURG)

Morning/Afternoon	Check out of hotel; travel along the famed Panorama Route toward the city <i>The Panorama Route puts iconic South African sights on display, including Blyde River Canyon, God's Window, and Bourke's Luck Potholes. Savor the breathtaking views at stops along this scenic journey back to Johannesburg.</i>
Evening	Check into hotel followed by free time and small group dinners on your own

DAY 10 | TUESDAY, MAY 22 (JOHANNESBURG)

Morning	Water-related company/organizational visit
Afternoon/Evening	Free time in Johannesburg!

MAY 23 - MAY 26: CAPE TOWN | ENGINEERING PROJECTS IN THE COASTAL CITY

DAY 11 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 (JOHANNESBURG TO CAPE TOWN)

Morning	Fly nonstop from Johannesburg to Cape Town (~2 hours); check into hotel
Noon	Group lunch
Afternoon	Engineering company visit
Evening	Free time and small group dinners along the Cape Town Waterfront



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DAY 12 | THURSDAY, MAY 24 (DAY TRIP TO SALDANHA)

Morning	Travel by bus (~1 hour) to an engineering site visit in Saldanha <i>This natural harbor plays a central role in the steel and iron ore industry by providing a port for ships, hosting several mills, and conducting exports via a major South African railway line.</i>
Noon	Small group lunches on your own
Afternoon	Engineering company visit
Evening	Group dinner by the bay before returning to Cape Town

DAY 13 | FRIDAY, MAY 25 (CAPE TOWN)

Morning	Ride the aerial cableway to the top of Table Mountain <i>Witness amazing views from the heights of this iconic flat-topped landmark overlooking the city. Table Mountain predates the Andes, the Alps, the Rocky Mountains, and the Himalayas.</i>
Noon	Small group lunches on your own
Afternoon	Visit Cape Town University <i>Engage in one-on-one cultural exchange activities, tour the campus with local university students as guides, and attend a guest lecture on water resource management in Cape Town.</i>
Evening	Enjoy a festive farewell dinner amongst friends and program leaders!

DAY 14 | SATURDAY, MAY 26 (CAPE TOWN TO WASHINGTON DC)

All Day	Fly back to the USA
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Please see the following page for additional information.