

2018 Visa Information: Spanish Immersion and Service Semester

During your program you will travel to Costa Rica, Peru, the Dominican Republic and Cuba. While you do not need to obtain a visa prior to departure for any of the countries you will visit, it is important that you review the entry requirements listed below so that you are prepared to travel to each location. Visa requirements for non-US citizens vary widely.

Rustic Pathways has partnered with G3 Global Services to provide support for visa and passport services. For US citizens and residents, G3 can assist with visa applications as well as passport renewals and additional pages (fee paid directly to G3) should you wish.

Visa Requirements for US Citizens:

- Costa Rica: US citizens do not need visas for a stay of less than 90 days. You will need to show your return plane ticket or confirmed flight itinerary upon arrival.
- Peru: US citizens do not need visas for a stay of less than 90 days. A tourist visa will be issued upon arrival.
- Dominican Republic: US citizens do not need visas for a stay of less than 90 days. You will need to purchase a tourist card upon arrival. Bring a \$10 USD bill for payment.
- Cuba: US citizens do not need to acquire a Cuba visa prior to travel. A visa will be provided upon check in for your flight from the Dominican Republic for \$100. In order for you to travel to Cuba under the auspices of People to People travel, you will be asked to complete a supplemental form from Rustic Pathways. Travelers under 18 years of age are also required to carry a Consent to Travel Statement.

Passport Requirements:

- Your passport must be valid for at least six months past the end of your trip.
- Your passport must have at least three blank pages marked "Visas."
- Your passport must be signed.

Special Recommendations for Travelers Under 18:

We recommend that travelers under age 18 travel with the following documents:

- A photocopy of your birth certificate
- A photocopy of both parents' passports or driver's licenses
- A notarized Consent to Travel Statement signed by both parents

Required Travel Document Checklist:

- \$100 USD cash for your Cuba visa on arrival
- \$10 USD cash for your Dominican Republic visa on arrival
- Your valid, signed passport with three blank visa pages
- Recommended documentation for travelers under 18 as listed above.
- Printed copy of your Flight Itinerary for return and/or onward travel
- Costa Rica address for Immigration and Customs card (included in pre-departure email)

Instructions For Non-US Citizens

G3 is able to process visas for non-US citizens who reside in the US, and will provide guidance for travelers who reside outside the United States. G3 will refer non-US residents to the appropriate embassy, consulate or resource as needed free of charge.

If you have any questions please contact G3 at:

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