Psychology: Culture and Psychology - Caribbean Studies

PSY 492/692 – 4 credit hours
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This course is designed for students to get a “hands on” introduction to Cultural Psychology and counseling from both U.S. and Caribbean American perspectives with an emphasis on Jamaica. The influence of global psychology has increased in recent years, and this course introduces students to basic and applied psychological principles as well as views of mental health within a Jamaican context. Students also investigate religious/folk beliefs, mental illness, cultural values, and family roles. The course includes site visits to local mental health agencies, churches, hospitals, and universities. Students will also be able to ask questions about psychology through interactions with Jamaican experts.