NYU January 2010 Intersession

Dominican Republic

Documents and other things to bring or do:

Things you must do immediately:

• Book your flights
• Fill out the online application for host family housing, which includes uploading a picture of yourself. Click on the following link:

http://www.pucmmsti.edu.do/oei/Housing/Housing.aspx

For travel

• Passport
Your passport must be valid up to at least August 2010. If your passport expires before then, it is your responsibility to get it renewed before our departure.
• Those traveling on foreign passports must call or visit the Dominican Republic Consulate General's office to find out about visa requirements. Their address and contact info are: 1501 Broadway New York, NY 10036-5601.
  Tel: (212) 768-2480
• Photocopy of passport page with picture
• A confirmed roundtrip airline ticket on Delta airlines (January 2, flight 549 and January 16, flight 550) OR American airlines (January 2, flight 803 and January 16, flight 822)
• Travel insurance for your flights (There are several companies that do travel insurance but I recommend “Access America.” They have very affordable rates. You can contact them at 1-800-284-8300 or online at: www.accessamerica.com
• $10 cash to purchase a travel card on arrival at Santiago airport
• No more than two checked pieces of luggage with a maximum of 50 pounds each
• One piece of carry-on hand luggage*
*Any bottles of liquid or lotion in your hand luggage must not exceed three fluid ounces or they will be taken away. They should also be placed in a clear plastic bag before you arrive at the airport.

For NYU course

• Textbook
• Course pack of readings (Advanced Copy -- 552 LaGuardia Place. Tel. 212-388-1001)
• Notebook
• Laptop computer
• A camera
To register for Spanish class

• Undergraduate transcript
• 2 passport photos

For personal use

• Light clothing (casual summer wear). Maybe a nicer outfit or two in case you go out to a more formal restaurant or event.
• Swimwear (bathing suits, swim caps, goggles, etc).
• A sweater (or two) to wear in class in case the A/C is too cold
• Sunglasses
• An umbrella
• A cap or hat (for shade from the sun)
• Suntan lotion and/or sunblock
• A cell phone
• US cash (you can change cash into Dominican pesos at any bank in Santiago)
• At least one credit or debit card
• Vitamins
• Mosquito repellant (many host families also provide a mosquito net that can be draped over your bed)
• Cough and/or cold medicine; also painkillers (aspirin or tylenol)

Important names

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