SOUTH AFRICA WOMEN’S SEMINAR

BEYOND APARTHEID: EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP

September 9 to 20, 2011

a program of the stanford alumni association
In 2009 we offered our first program dedicated to the issues and challenges of women. The response to our Jordan Women’s Seminar was overwhelming: “an outstanding experience,” “unique,” and “loved the opportunity to travel with and meet such an amazing group of women,” were just some of the outstanding comments we heard along with a resounding call for us to offer another women-focused program. We invite you this time to South Africa, for an exploration of the lives and inspirational stories of women making a difference for themselves and their children in this fascinating nation. I hope you can join us.

BRETT S. THOMPSON, ’83, DIRECTOR, STANFORD TRAVEL/STUDY

Highlights

MINGLE with women artists, entrepreneurs, community leaders and rights activists and discuss the unique challenges and development of a post-apartheid South Africa.

MEET the residents of several important townships in Cape Town and Johannesburg, including Soweto, cradle of the anti-apartheid movement.

ENJOY two relaxing days at the end of our program on safari in Thornybush Game Reserve, adjacent to Kruger National Park.
Itinerary

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 &10
DEPART U.S. / CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA
Depart the U.S. on overnight flights to South Africa. Arrive in Cape Town on Saturday and transfer to our elegant hotel situated across from the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront. Enjoy a welcome reception at our hotel.

WESTIN GRAND ARABELLA QUAYS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
CAPE TOWN
Considered one of the most beautiful cities in the world, Cape Town is an historic and cultural gem. Begin our exploration with a cable-car ride up to Table Mountain (weather permitting) and admire panoramic views of the city and Table Bay. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with Nondumiso Pakashe, a female South African winemaker, then continue to Cape Town University and the Centre for Conflict Resolution, where we meet with senior researcher Angela Ndinga-Muvumba to discuss the impact of HIV/AIDS on the women and children of South Africa. Gather for a welcome dinner in one of the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront’s fine restaurants.
WESTIN GRAND ARABELLA QUAYS (B,L,D)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
CAPE TOWN
Spend the morning with activist and former ANC Member of Parliament Pregs Govender, then travel to the township of Khayelitsha where we visit with women who create beautiful beadwork for a thriving economic development project. Then visit a school in the township of Guguletu and hear about the legacy of Stanford alumna Amy Biehl, ’89, in whose name a thriving foundation has established after-school programs dedicated to the development of Cape Town’s youth. This evening visit the kitchen of Cape Town chef Jenny Morris, who guides us in preparing a dinner of local specialties.
WESTIN GRAND ARABELLA QUAYS (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
CAPE OF GOOD HOPE / CAPE TOWN
This morning enjoy a private tour of the Irma Stern Museum, established in memory of the famed South African artist and housed in her former home. View paintings and drawings in the permanent collection and hear a presentation from a professor at the African Gender Institute. Then travel along the coast to the Cape of Good Hope, stopping to view a colony of African penguins. Take the funicular to Cape Point and enjoy spectacular views of the sea. Dinner this evening is on our own.
WESTIN GRAND ARABELLA QUAYS (B,L)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
CAPE TOWN
Catch a morning ferry to Robben Island, located just a few miles off the coast of Cape Town and a place of exile and imprisonment since the 17th century. Nelson Mandela spent 18 of his 27 years in prison here, as did many of his compatriots in the struggle against apartheid. Return to the mainland and
drive outside the city to Stellenbosch, South Africa’s main wine region, where we tour a local winery and enjoy a lunch of Cape Malay delicacies prepared by noted chef Cass Abrahams. Return to Cape Town and dine at a local restaurant.

WESTIN GRAND ARABELLA QUAYS (B,L,D)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
CAPE TOWN / JOHANNESBURG
This morning fly to Johannesburg and visit Constitution Hill for a sobering look at the history of imprisonment of political activists under apartheid. After lunch enjoy a private tour of the complex. Continue to a fine art studio and meet with prominent women in South Africa’s finance and government sectors. Check in to our deluxe hotel on Sandton Square and enjoy dinner in a nearby restaurant.

MICHELANGELO HOTEL (B,L,D)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
JOHANNESBURG
This morning visit two of the city’s townships, including Diepsloot where we hear from the founder of a local women’s and youth project, and Soweto where we learn about the many political campaigns and uprisings that took place here in the struggle against apartheid. Enjoy lunch and a discussion with the proprietress of Soweto’s first female-owned restaurant before visiting the acclaimed Apartheid Museum. Dinner is served at an award-winning restaurant where we are joined by members of a black economic empowerment group.

MICHELANGELO HOTEL (B,L,D)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 & 18
THORNYBUSH GAME RESERVE
Fly to Hoedspruit and transfer to the Thornybush Game Reserve, adjacent to Kruger National Park, where we check into our deluxe lodge with sweeping views of the surrounding savannah. Enjoy two days of safari in search of Africa’s wildlife: lion, cape buffalo, elephant, giraffe and zebra, among many others.

THORNYBUSH GAME LODGE (B,L,D – BOTH DAYS)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
JOHANNESBURG
Return to Johannesburg and (permission pending) visit the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for lunch and an opportunity to learn about the school’s mission to educate South Africa’s future women leaders. This evening, transfer to the airport for departures to the U.S.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
U.S.
Connect with homeward-bound flights in Europe or the U.S.
Information

DATES
September 9 to 20, 2011 (12 days)

SIZE
Limited to 29 female participants

COST *
$8,795 per person, double occupancy
$10,965 per person, single occupancy
*Association nonmembers add $200 per person

INCLUDED
9 nights of deluxe accommodations  ▪ 9 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 7 dinners  ▪  Welcome and farewell receptions  ▪  Bottled water on all excursions  ▪  Gratuities to porters, guides and drivers for all group activities  ▪  All tours and excursions as described in the itinerary  ▪  Transfers and baggage handling between the airport and our group hotels at the beginning and end of the program  ▪  Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance  ▪  Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list, a selected book, map and travel information  ▪  Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

NOT INCLUDED
International and U.S. domestic airfare  ▪  Passport and visa fees  ▪  Immunization costs  ▪  Meals and beverages other than those specified as included  ▪  Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance  ▪  Excess-baggage charges  ▪  Personal items such as email, telephone and fax calls, laundry and gratuities for nongroup services

AIR ARRANGEMENTS
International and U.S. domestic airfare is not included in the program cost. Round-trip, economy-class airfare from San Francisco to Cape Town and returning from Johannesburg is approximately $1,940 as of October 2010 and is subject to change without notice. Information on recommended flight itineraries will be sent by our designated agent.

WHAT TO EXPECT
We consider this program to be moderately strenuous with a full schedule of excursions, lectures and special events. Touring will be fast-paced and busy, involving motorcoach rides and one to two miles of walking, sometimes on uneven surfaces or rocky terrain. In some instances, such as museums, guided tours require climbing up and down several flights of stairs, and elevators may be limited or unavailable. Participants must be physically fit, active and in good health. We welcome female travelers 15 years of age and older on this program.
Deposit & Final Payment
A $1,000-per-person deposit is required to hold space on the South Africa Women's Seminar. Complete and return the attached reservation form or sign up online at www.stanfordalumni.org/trip?southafrica2011. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

Cancellations & Refunds
Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a $500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to departure. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply. We recommend trip-cancellation insurance; applications will be sent to you.

Insurance
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. Our group policy is intended to provide minimal levels of protection while you are traveling on this program. We strongly recommend that you subscribe to optional baggage and trip-cancellation insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be mailed with your confirmation about one week after we receive your deposit. The product offered in this brochure includes a special Waiver of Pre-Existing Conditions and coverage for Financial Insolvency and Terrorist Acts if you postmark your insurance payment within 15 days of the date listed on the confirmation letter.

Eligibility
We encourage membership in the Alumni Association as the program cost for nonmembers is $200 more than the members' price. Stanford alumni may become Annual ($75) or Life ($495) Members. Stanford parents, faculty, staff, interns, residents and fellows may become Installment Members ($90 down, $115/year for four years) or Life Members ($495). Nonalumni may become Life Affiliates (one-time fee, $850). Parents and their children under 21 may travel on one membership. For more information or to purchase a membership, visit www.stanfordalumni.org/membership or call (650) 725-0692.

Responsibility
The Stanford Alumni Association, Stanford University and our operators act only as agents for the passenger with respect to transportation and exercise every care possible in doing so. However, we can assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any automobile, motorcoach, launch or any other conveyance used in carrying out this program or for the acts or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the program. We cannot accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, force majeure or other causes beyond our control. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to this published itinerary as may be deemed necessary. The right is reserved to cancel any program prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. The right is also reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the program. No refund will be made for an unused portion of any tour unless arrangements are made in sufficient time to avoid penalties. Baggage is carried at the owner’s risk entirely. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time that passengers are not onboard their plane or conveyance. Neither the Alumni Association, Stanford University nor our operators accept liability for any carrier’s cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in connection with the tour. Program price is based on rates in effect in October 2010 and is subject to change without notice to reflect fluctuations in exchange rates, tariffs or fuel charges. As a condition of participation, all confirmed participants are required to sign a Release of Liability.

California Seller of Travel Program Registration #2048 523-50

Terms & Conditions
PRUDENCE L. CARTER teaches about racial and ethnic relations as well as the sociology of education. At present, she is completing a book that documents a study of high schools in the U.S. and South Africa. “South Africa has experienced much social, economic and political division over the course of the twentieth century,” explains Professor Carter. “In spite of that painful past, democracy has prevailed and reconciliation has emerged in South Africa’s newest incarnation as a nation. I am especially impressed by the entrepreneurial spirit of the African women, who use their talents and skills for survival and the support of their families.” During our program, Professor Carter will discuss race, culture and education in South African society and schools, as well as the creation of female entrepreneurs in the country’s townships.

- Associate Professor, Education and (by courtesy) Sociology, Stanford University
- Co-Director, Stanford Center for Opportunity Policy in Education (SCOPE)
- ScB, Brown University; MA and PhD, Columbia University

“I believe strongly that education is a critical key to the transformation of any society, and I have spent years now among youth in South Africa… whose vitality and interest sustain me and keep me invested in the idea of a better tomorrow.”

PRUDENCE L. CARTER

Faculty Leader

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Reservation Form
South Africa Women’s Seminar

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I/We have read the Terms and Conditions for the program and agree to them.

SIGNATURE

If this is a reservation for one person, please indicate:

☐ I wish to have single accommodations.

OR ☐ I plan to share accommodations with:

OR ☐ I’d like to know about possible roommates.

Here is my deposit of $________ ($1,000 per person) for _____ space(s).

☐ Enclosed is my check (payable to Stanford Alumni Association) OR

☐ Charge my deposit to my:

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CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE

DATE

Mail completed form to address on mail panel or fax to (650) 725-8675 or place your deposit online at www.stanfordalumni.org/trip?southafrica2011. Please submit your reservation only once to avoid multiple charges to your account.
“I love the ‘value added’ of Stanford trips. They have all been special but this one was exceptional in the women we met, the programs we learned about and the promise for a better understanding between cultures.”

CAROLE FLAXMAN, JORDAN WOMEN’S SEMINAR, 2009