

HI 291: The History of Slavery in Charleston, South Carolina from 1680 to the Civil War

Prerequisite: None, open to all Wagner students, Instructor permission required

EYH 2012: Travel to Charleston, South Carolina: March 4-12, 2012

Cost: Approximate Cost \$1250

Course Description: This course will introduce students to African-American slavery in Charleston, SC from the inception of the colony in 1680 through to the demise of slavery in 1865. From a southern vantage point we will examine how slavery was instrumental in building America. From the establishment of the South Carolina colony Charleston has served as the entry point for at least hundreds of thousands kidnapped and enslaved African men, women and children. The institution of chattel slavery helped transform antebellum Charleston into one of the south's most prosperous economic urban centers. We will consider the cultural, religious, economic and political importance of African-American slavery in the South Carolina low country and it helped to shape southern life for both blacks and whites. Students will be required to take part in a week-long excursion to Charleston, South Carolina.

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