



# MAYA ART AND ARCHAEOLOGY TOUR MEXICO - SOUTHERN YUCATAN PENINSULA MAY 11-20, 2019

SAN CRISTÓBAL DE LAS CASAS - PALENQUE - CALAKMUL - TULÚM

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Join The University of New Mexico's Latin American and Iberian Institute (LAI) as we travel through the states of Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo to visit ancient Maya archaeological sites and modern-day Maya communities. The tour will begin in San Cristóbal de las Casas and head north to the ruins of Palenque, then east to the Calakmul Biosphere Reserve where we'll visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Calakmul. Established around 500 B.C., Calakmul ruled the area until around A.D. 1000. It was the seat of the important Ka'an or "Snake" dynasty which dominated the region and rivaled the cities of Tikal in Guatemala and Caracol in Belize. It is also home to the tallest pyramid on the Yucatán Peninsula. We'll visit the sites of Becán, Balamkú, Chicanná, Hormigüero, and Xpujil. We'll stop at the ruins of Kohunlich and visit Laguna Bacalar as we make our way up the Caribbean coast to Tulum. Dr. Margaret Jackson, UNM Associate Professor of Pre-Columbian Art History will co-lead the trip with LAI staff. Don't miss this amazing opportunity to explore fascinating Maya archaeological sites while experiencing the rich biodiversity of the flora and fauna of the region.

## ITINERARY (Subject to change)

**PROGRAM COST: \$2448\* / \$2796\***

### SATURDAY, MAY 11

- Departure from US (not included in tour price)
- Arrival at Tuxtla Gutiérrez International Airport
- Transfer to San Cristóbal de las Casas (on your own)

### SUNDAY, MAY 12

- Tour of modern-day highland community of San Cristóbal de las Casas
- Lecture on local Zapatista movement

### MONDAY, MAY 13

- Travel by bus to Palenque (5 hrs) with stop at ruins of Toniná and/or Agua Azul falls

### TUESDAY, MAY 14

- Guided tour of Maya ruins of Palenque
- Visit to Palenque museum

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

- Travel by bus to Xpujil (5 hrs)
- Optional trip to Maya ruins of Hormigüero

### THURSDAY, MAY 16

- Guided tour of Maya ruins of Becán, Chichanná, and Xpujil
- Visit to modern-day Maya community of 20 de noviembre

### FRIDAY, MAY 17

- Guided tour of Maya ruins of Balamkú
- Guided tour of Maya ruins of Calakmul

### SATURDAY, MAY 18

- Travel by bus to Tulum (4 hrs) with stop at Maya ruins of Kohunlich and lunch at Laguna Bacalar

### SUNDAY, MAY 19

- Guided tour of Maya ruins of Tulum
- Afternoon free to go to beach or visit Gran Cenote or Xel-Há Park (on your own)

### MONDAY, MAY 20

- Transfer to Cancún International Airport
- Early afternoon departure from Cancún
- Return flight to US (not included in tour price)

### SPACE IS LIMITED

Reserve your spot as soon as possible

### DEPOSIT DUE

Monday, February 25 - \$600, with application materials

### FINAL PAYMENT DUE

Monday, March 25 - balance due by 5:00 pm

### INFORMATION SESSION

Tuesday, February 19, 2019, 6:00 - 7:30 pm at the Latin American and Iberian Institute, 801 Yale Blvd NE, Albuquerque

**COURSE CREDIT** for Spring 2019 semester is possible.

Please contact Dr. Margaret Jackson at [mars@unm.edu](mailto:mars@unm.edu) for more information.

### TO APPLY

Go to <http://lail.unm.edu/abroad> or contact LAI Program Manager M. Robyn Côté at (505) 277-6843, or via e-mail at [rcote@unm.edu](mailto:rcote@unm.edu).

\* \$2448 double occupancy

\* \$2796 single occupancy

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