

# SumMATT Program Guide

## SumMATT 2022

This 4-8 week summer program is designed to give people hands-on experience overseas and is structured intentionally to help people begin learning skills that would translate to a long term (2 years or more) mission assignment. In no particular order, the summer program goals are:

1. **LEARN THE LANGUAGE:** Students will be enrolled in Spanish language classes, and/or tutors would be hired to teach Spanish. Between formal classes and tutoring, Spanish language acquisition should take place on a daily basis.
2. **LEARN THE CULTURE:** This will be done through a combination of cultural experiences. Students will be living in a Dominican home and expected to play an active role in that home by learning how to cook Dominican food, participating in family events, maybe even attending a Dominican wedding, etc. Participants will also get the chance to see the historical old city in Santo Domingo and other cultural sites. We think it's important for students to practice the skill of entering into a new culture as a learner.
3. **BE DISCIPLED:** Students will be disciplined by their leaders in the Dominican Republic. They will also have discipleship material to take with them and have a regular phone call from a coach/mentor in the United States.
4. **MISSION/CHURCH WORK:**
  - a. Participants are required to participate in the ministry that the church is doing. For example, evangelism, discipleship, bible studies, attending church on Sundays and participating in other church events etc.
  - b. In addition to that, service opportunities will be created ahead of time based on the participants experience and interests. Be creative! For example, we had a student who was trained in self defense and taught a class on that during his time. Other examples include teaching English as a second language, vacation bible school or sports ministry.
  - c. Everyone would be expected to help out if/when a team from the States comes to serve for a week. The short term trip would be consistent with the goals of SumMATT and the vision of Operation MATT, which is to plant churches.

## WHO COULD GO?

Students or other mission-minded young adults 18-26 years old who have been on at least one week-long mission trip, preferably to a foreign country.

### WHERE WOULD THEY LIVE?

Participants would live in a host home and would be housed at least two of the same sex in each home.

### HOW WOULD THEY GET AROUND?

Participants would learn to use the public transportation system, but never travelling alone. They can use cars, a rented minivan, or the excellent intercity bus system for out of town trips/cultural experiences.

### WHO WOULD OVERSEE THE STUDENTS/PROGRAM?

Pedro Juan Gonzales' who is the pastor of Santiago Baptist Church and also has a background as a medical doctor would be primarily responsible for the day in day out activities of the students. This includes schedules, money distribution, host home experience, meals, Spanish language learning, cultural experiences, accompanying students to all missions/ministry responsibilities, discipleship, missions and church involvement as well as handling any emergencies, etc.

### COST

A budget will be put together that will include all of the anticipated necessary expenses that the participants are expected to incur. Students would have to raise their own support of **\$2,500-\$3,500** depending on duration.

This fee will to cover:

- Airfare
- Housing (2 to a room) in Host home
- Food and cooking in Host home
- Transportation (to and from ministry activities)
- Spending Allowance (\$100 per week)
- Formal Spanish Classes and Tutoring
- Trip Insurance

### TRIP PLANNING

In the Dominican Republic, our staff will...

- Establish Spanish Classes and hire tutors for each student
- Set up a list of cultural experiences
- Create mission service opportunities
- Set up a list of church volunteer needs
- Establish (and monitor) host homes
- Create schedules for the participants
- Oversee Health and Safety Practices

In the USA, our staff will...

- Recruit and Review Applicants
- Orient & Train participants
- Purchase airline tickets
- Accompany the participants to the DR for first few days

INSURANCE A sample of the Insurance Coverage for this trip is listed below.

BENEFIT	LIMIT	COMMENTS
<b>Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment</b>	\$100,000	Reduced to \$10,000 for those under age 12 or age 70 and over
<b>Medical Expenses - Primary</b> <i>\$100 deductible</i> <i>No preexisting conditions Exclusion.</i>	\$10,000	<b>Primary coverage;</b> \$2,500 of this limit is available to pay U.S. or Canadian providers
<b>Medical Expenses - Optional</b> <i>\$100 deductible</i> <i>Preexisting conditions are Excluded.</i>	\$50,000	For those age 0-59 at an additional \$0.24 per diem
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	\$50,000	For those age 60-65 at an additional \$1.40 per diem
	\$50,000	For those age 66-70 at an additional \$3.05 per diem
<b>Disability Income Benefit</b> <i>(no benefit if under age 12 or 70 and over)</i>	\$1,000/month \$500/month \$250/month	First 100 Months — Accident Months 101–200 — Accident 50 Months — Sickness (after 3 month waiting period)
<b>Assistance Service</b>	Included	Available 24/7/365 for assistance with worldwide medical emergencies; provided by Intana Global™
<b>Emergency Medical Evacuation</b>	\$100,000	Coordinated by Intana Global™; will bring insured back to USA
<b>Emergency Medical Evacuation - Optional</b>	\$150,000	For those age 0-59 at an additional \$0.25 per diem
<b>Crisis Management Service*</b>	Included	Available 24/7/365 for assistance with worldwide non-medical emergencies; provided by red24
<b>Security Evacuation*</b>	\$100,000	Coordinated by red24; for evacuation due to crime, civil unrest, natural disasters, kidnap/hostage situations**
<b>Family Coordination and Repatriation of Mortal Remains</b>	\$25,000	Combined limit for both benefits and includes a sublimit of <b>\$2,500 for extra expenses</b> incurred during an approved evacuation
<b>Personal Property</b> <i>\$100 deductible</i>	\$2,500	"Door to door" replacement cost coverage includes checked baggage; higher limits available upon request.
<b>General Liability</b>	\$1,000,000	Worldwide jurisdiction; includes coverage for injury to a volunteer; covers volunteer and sending organization