NEPAL STUDY ABROAD ITINERARY: MARCH 14 – 30, 2025

DATE	LODGING	ACTIVITIES		
Friday	In-Transit	• Park at General Staff or 112N lots on east side of Haber Road (need plate#).		
Mar. 14		• Depart Ames at 9:00am.		
		• 6-hour drive to ORD by bus, arrive at 3:00pm.		
		• Flight QR#726 ORD-DOH departs at 7:50pm		
Saturday	In-Transit	• Arrive DOH at 5:05pm.		
Mar. 15	Doha, Qatar	• 8 hours and 20 minutes layover.		
		• Cultural activities in Doha (museum, Souq Waqif, mosque).		
Sunday	In-Transit	• Flight QR#652 DOH-KTM departs at 3:25am.		
Mar. 16	Kathmandu Guest House Kathmandu	• Arrive KTM at 10:30am.		
		• Rest. Shower.		
		• Explore cultural sites in Kathmandu.		
Monday Kathmandu Guest House		• Meet with development agencies and college students in Kathmandu.		
Mar. 17	Kathmandu	• 12:30-1:45pm, Federation of Woman Entrepreneurs' Assocs of Nepal		
		• 2:15-3:15pm, Peace Corps Nepal		
		• 3:45-5:30pm, Community as Curriculum		
Tuesday	Maruni Sanctuary Lodge	• Leave Kathmandu at 9:00am. Drive to Chitwan by bus. Stop for lunch.		
Mar. 18	Sauraha, Chitwan	• Arrive in Sauraha at 2:30pm.		
		• Explore town.		
Wednesday	Maruni Sanctuary Lodge	• Bus through Chitwan National Park and explore remote Tharu villages.		
Mar. 19	Sauraha, Chitwan	• Visit Tharu farms doing Terai/lowland agriculture.		
		• Return to lodge at 6:00pm.		
		Explore Sauraha Bazaar.		
Thursday	Maruni Sanctuary Lodge,	• Jungle safari at 6:30am and return to lodge by 12:00pm.		
Mar. 20	Sauraha, Chitwan	Visit Tharu farms doing Terai/lowland agriculture.		
		• Community meal, socializing, and Tharu dance/cultural event at lodge.		
Friday	Kalimati Guest House	• Leave lodge at 8:00am. Flight U4#642 BHR-POK departs at 10:30am.		
Mar. 21	Kalimati, Kaski	• Arrive POK at 10:50am (2,950ft).		
		• Drive by Jeep to Ghalel (5,020ft).		
		Visit Gurung farms doing step agriculture.		
		• Drive to Kalimati (5,580ft).		
Saturday	Low Camp Tea House	• Leave Kalimati at 9:00am and hike to Forest Camp (8,530ft).		
Mar. 22	Mardi Himal, Kaski	• Lunch and rest.		
		• Hike to Low Camp (9,745ft).		
Sunday	High Camp Tea House	• Leave Low Camp at 9:00am and hike to High Camp (11,810ft).		
Mar. 23	Mardi Himal, Kaski	• Lunch and rest.		
		• Easy hike to Stephen Rock to acclimatize (11,745ft).		
		• Return to High Camp by 6:00pm.		
Monday	Low Camp Tea House	• Leave High Camp at 4:30am and hike to viewpoint to see sunrise (13,058ft).		
Mar. 24	Mardi Himal, Kaski	• Option to hike to upper view points (13,780ft to 14,446ft).		
		• Return to the High Camp. Breakfast and rest.		
		Hike to Low Camp		
Tuesday	Stone Gallery Hotel	• Leave the Low Camp at 9:00am and hike to Sidhing.		
Mar. 25	Sidhing, Kaski	• Lunch and rest.		
		• Explore village. Visit Tamang farmers.		
		Tamang cultural programs and community meal.		
Wednesday	Waterfront Hotel	Leave Sidhing at 9:00am.		
Mar. 26	Pokhara, Kaski	• Walk to public school and interact with high school students.		
		• Drive to Jeep to Pokhara. Arrive 3:00pm.		
		• Explore Pokhara		

Thursday	Waterfront Hotel	•	Rest, relax, and explore Pokhara.			
Mar. 27	Pokhara, Kaski					
Friday	Kathmandu Guest House	•	• Leave hotel at 7:15am. Flight U4#670 POK-KTM departs at 8:30am.			
Mar. 28	Kathmandu	•	• Arrive KTM at 8:55am.			
		•	Meetings with stakeholders.			
		•	Expo – Heritage Garden, FWEAN			
Saturday	In-transit	•	Explore Kathmandu.			
Mar. 29		•	Leave hotel at 3:00pm. Flight QR#647 KTM-DOH departs at 6:00pm.			
		• Arrive DOH at 8:50 pm.				
		•	11 hours and 35 minutes layover.			
		•	Rest in Qatar Airways Business Lounge.			
Sunday	In-transit	•	Flight QR#725 DOH-ORD departs at 8:25am.			
Mar. 30		•	Arrive ORD at 3:25pm.			
		•	6-hour drive to Ames by bus, arrive at 11:00pm.			

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