Study Abroad Programme
Hand-on Exploration of Indian Culture, Health, Sustainability, and Environment
San Diego State University (SDSU) and Xavier University, Bhubaneswar (XUB)

The SDSU study abroad program was jointly offered by Xavier School of Sustainability, Xavier University, Bhubaneswar. Dr. Zohir Chowdhury an Associate Professor in Environmental Health at San Diego State University and 11 undergraduate, 8 females and 3 male student pursuing graduation in Sustainability, Health Sciences, Public Health, Speech language and hearing sciences, Hospitality and tourism management visited India. The two-week study abroad program has allowed SDSU students to experience India’s rich culture, understand Indian health system, and research India’s environmental problems and its various efforts in sustainability. XSoS students also got an opportunity to participate in the study abroad programme. It was observed that art and sports helped to remove barriers and brought Indian and American students closer when participated in cricket match and performed during cultural night fest. To sum it up study abroad programme has immensely contributed to cultural exchange, friendship and peace building between India and the United States. Professor Elizabeth Abba, faculty at XSoS coordinated for this programme.