



Transformations at the Edge of the World

By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley

Download now

Read Online ➔

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley

Each year, thousands of students from faith-based universities across the United States venture, through study abroad programs, to the edge of the world. What happens to them while they are there? For the editors of this volume, the edge of the world is not a place of physical remoteness where cell phone coverage runs out, nor is it a region of economic marginality. Instead, it is a place of personal transformation, the point of convergence between students spiritual development and their commitment to global engagement. To help students arrive in such a place, faculty and staff seek holistic approaches to education. In the study abroad context, holistic education emphasizes formation of personal ethics, cultivation of empathy, the creation of deep communities, and commitment to social responsibility. This collection of essays is characterized by the diversity of its voices. The contributors represent a broad range of faith-based institutions and a wide array of academic disciplines. The study abroad programs they describe, scattered across five continents, reflect a variety of models. Gathered into this pioneering collection are essays that theorize about the conjunction of spiritual formation and global engagement, share practices that are currently bearing fruit, and identify potential areas of growth and improvement for the future.

 [Download Transformations at the Edge of the World ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Transformations at the Edge of the World ...pdf](#)

Transformations at the Edge of the World

By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley

Each year, thousands of students from faith-based universities across the United States venture, through study abroad programs, to the edge of the world. What happens to them while they are there? For the editors of this volume, the edge of the world is not a place of physical remoteness where cell phone coverage runs out, nor is it a region of economic marginality. Instead, it is a place of personal transformation, the point of convergence between students spiritual development and their commitment to global engagement. To help students arrive in such a place, faculty and staff seek holistic approaches to education. In the study abroad context, holistic education emphasizes formation of personal ethics, cultivation of empathy, the creation of deep communities, and commitment to social responsibility. This collection of essays is characterized by the diversity of its voices. The contributors represent a broad range of faith-based institutions and a wide array of academic disciplines. The study abroad programs they describe, scattered across five continents, reflect a variety of models. Gathered into this pioneering collection are essays that theorize about the conjunction of spiritual formation and global engagement, share practices that are currently bearing fruit, and identify potential areas of growth and improvement for the future.

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley
Bibliography

- Rank: #1788989 in Books
- Published on: 2010-05-11
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.75" h x 5.75" w x .75" l, .95 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 272 pages

 [Download Transformations at the Edge of the World ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Transformations at the Edge of the World ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

Review

Our experience overwhelmingly affirms that participation in international study and service is more than academic learning, encountering other cultures, or equipping for vocation; it is to set out on a life-long quest, the destination of which IS the journey. In leaving the familiar, students cross intellectual, emotional, and spiritual thresholds that weave together discovery, participation and engagement that leads to transformation. In an increasingly interconnected world such learning is essential. For humanity and all of creation to flourish, we must understand our differences and our connectedness, our uniqueness and our relationship. We must learn to become neighbors. This book presents and synthesizes best practices in faith-centered global transformational learning, and charts critical directions for deepening engagement with this field. -- Paul W. Robinson, director and professor of the Human Needs and Global Resources (HNGR) Program, Wheaton College

What jumps out from these skillfully written descriptions of thirteen study-abroad programs at American Christian colleges and universities is the Christian conviction, imagination, and sensitivity to the other that has gone into the design of these programs. Tens of thousands of American students travel or live abroad each year. Most of them room with each other, tour the sites, talk a bit with the natives, eat the local food, have a good time, and return unchanged. The aim of these programs is that the students will not only learn about the places in which they find themselves but will themselves be changed their chauvinism unsettled, their ability to listen enhanced, their horizons expanded, their commitment to shalom deepened. For me, it was inspiring to learn that this is going on. --Nicholas Wolterstorff, Noah Porter Professor Emeritus of Philosophical Theology, Yale University, and Senior Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, University of Virginia

What jumps out from these skillfully written descriptions of thirteen study-abroad programs at American Christian colleges and universities is the Christian conviction, imagination, and sensitivity to the other that has gone into the design of these programs. Tens of thousands of American students travel or live abroad each year. Most of them room with each other, tour the sites, talk a bit with the natives, eat the local food, have a good time, and return unchanged. The aim of these programs is that the students will not only learn about the places in which they find themselves but will themselves be changed their chauvinism unsettled, their ability to listen enhanced, their horizons expanded, their commitment to shalom deepened. For me, it was inspiring to learn that this is going on. --Nicholas Wolterstorff, Noah Porter Professor Emeritus of Philosophical Theology, Yale University, and Senior Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, University of Virginia

About the Author

Ronald J. Morgan is Associate Professor of History and Director of ACU in Oxford (England) for Abilene Christian University. Cynthia Toms Smedley serves as the Director of Educational Immersions at the University of Notre Dame's Center for Social Concerns.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Raymond Custer:

The book Transformations at the Edge of the World can give more knowledge and information about everything you want. Exactly why must we leave a good thing like a book Transformations at the Edge of the World? A number of you have a different opinion about e-book. But one aim which book can give many information for us. It is absolutely right. Right now, try to closer using your book. Knowledge or facts that you take for that, you can give for each other; it is possible to share all of these. Book Transformations at the Edge of the World has simple shape however, you know: it has great and large function for you. You can search the enormous world by open and read a publication. So it is very wonderful.

Randall Rearick:

In this 21st millennium, people become competitive in most way. By being competitive currently, people have do something to make these people survives, being in the middle of often the crowded place and notice by simply surrounding. One thing that at times many people have underestimated the item for a while is reading. Yes, by reading a publication your ability to survive enhance then having chance to remain than other is high. To suit your needs who want to start reading a new book, we give you this Transformations at the Edge of the World book as beginner and daily reading guide. Why, because this book is usually more than just a book.

Robert Olsen:

Spent a free time for you to be fun activity to accomplish! A lot of people spent their sparetime with their family, or their very own friends. Usually they accomplishing activity like watching television, about to beach, or picnic inside park. They actually doing same thing every week. Do you feel it? Do you want to something different to fill your free time/ holiday? Might be reading a book may be option to fill your totally free time/ holiday. The first thing that you will ask may be what kinds of e-book that you should read. If you want to try out look for book, may be the reserve untitled Transformations at the Edge of the World can be good book to read. May be it could be best activity to you.

Cindy Mattis:

Reading a publication make you to get more knowledge from this. You can take knowledge and information coming from a book. Book is published or printed or descriptive from each source this filled update of news. In this particular modern era like at this point, many ways to get information are available for a person. From media social just like newspaper, magazines, science book, encyclopedia, reference book, new and comic. You can add your knowledge by that book. Are you hip to spend your spare time to open your book? Or just in search of the Transformations at the Edge of the World when you needed it?

Download and Read Online Transformations at the Edge of the

World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley
#ZR2ATS4FYOL

Read Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley for online ebook

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley books to read online.

Online Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley ebook PDF download

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley Doc

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley Mobipocket

Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley EPub

ZR2ATS4FYOL: Transformations at the Edge of the World By Ronald J. Morgan, Editor, Cynthia Toms Smedley