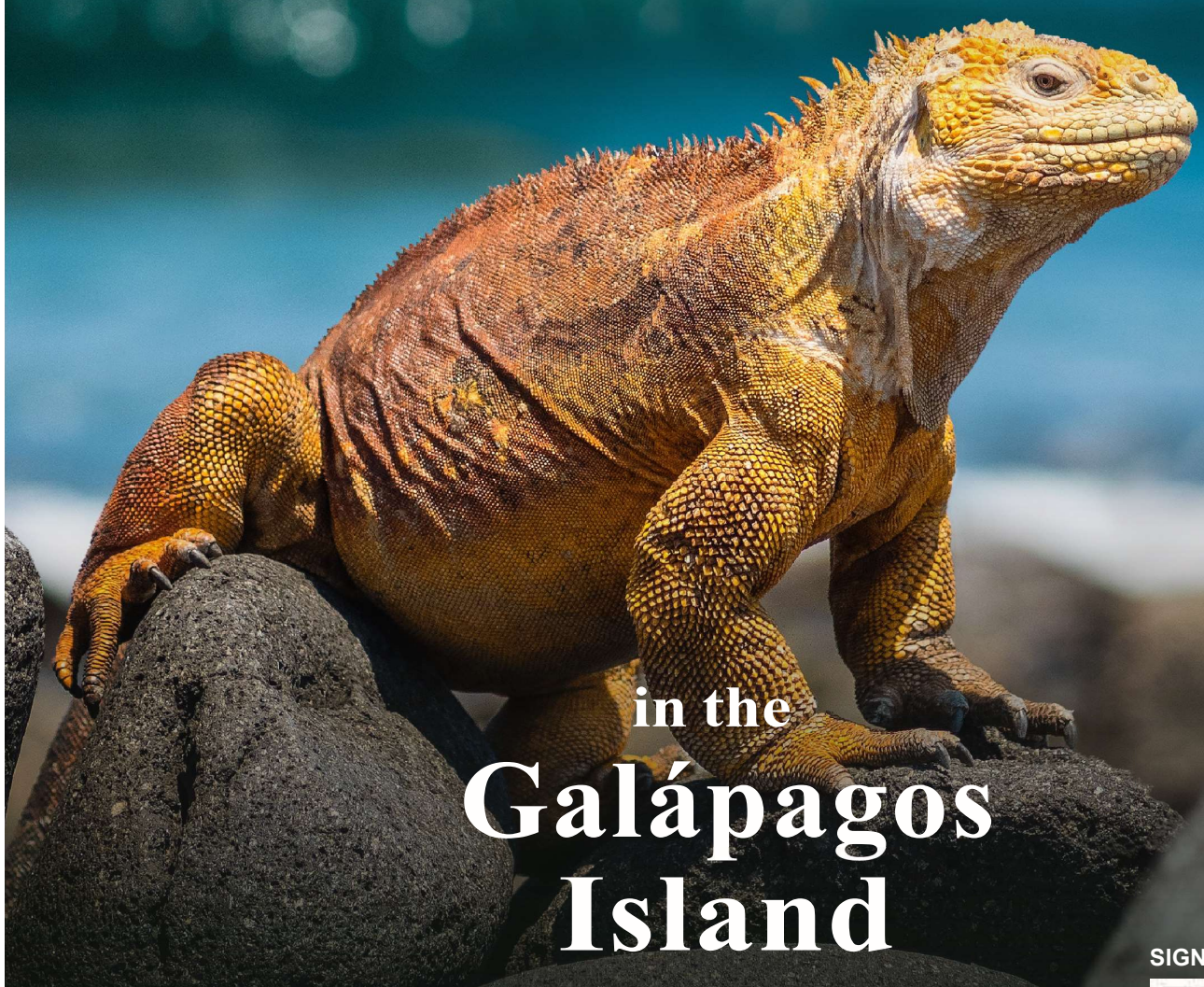


Study

Sustainable Tourism



in the
**Galápagos
Island**

Date: Fall Semester August 9 – December 7

Place: San Cristobal- Galápagos

Application Deadlines: June 1

SIGN UP:



Galápagos Semester

Universidad San Francisco de Quito and
University of South Carolina

SUSTAINABLE TOURISM TRACK

The sustainable tourism track addresses the importance of sustainability and the impact on the economy, the environment and society, as well as the global community. According to the UNWTO, in Galápagos, tourism spending reached 1.5 trillion dollars during 2016. The arrival of tourists should benefit the natural environment and the communities, both economically and culturally. Students in this multidisciplinary track will examine the components of the tourism industry and their interrelationships for a successful and responsible planning and management. The courses in this track are taught by University of South Carolina and Universidad San Francisco de Quito faculty.

MODULES AND FIELD STRIPS

MODULE ONE

Wildlife Conservation Biology (USFQ)

Tiputini Amazon Rainforest 1 week, 4 nights
Cloud Forest Mindo/Maquipucuna 2 days, 1 night
Paramo Papallacta Guango 1 day
Antisana 1 day

MODULE TWO

Introduction to sustainable tourism (USC)

Local communities: Local tour agents, regulations and sustainability Guest Speakers
Kicker Rock (Snorkeling, Hammer Head Sharks)
Isla Lobos (bird watching, iguana, lava formations hiking and canoeing)

MODULE THREE

Strategic Planning for Natural Resources Management (USFQ)

Water Treatment Plant
Recycling Center
Interviews to members of the community
San Cristobal Highlands: El Junco
(Water Reservoir) and Turtle Breeding Center

MODULE FOUR

Destination Marketing (USC)

Hotel Management Inspection
Surf lessons "El Cañón"
Ecuadorian Cooking Class

MODULE FIVE

Island Socio Ecosystem (USFQ)

Pesca vivencial
Lobos Beach
Guest Speakers

OPTIONAL COURSES

Tropical Ecology, Techniques of Marine Research 1 and 2, Phylogenetics, Islands Biogeography, Marine Ecology and Geographical Information System.

Includes all transportation in Ecuador (mainland and Galápagos), meals, lodging, entrance free.

The program requires a minimum of 8 international students

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