

Country background



Costa Rica is one of the oldest democracies in the American Continent. The country is home of 4% of the world's total biodiversity. With 25% of the country under national parks, wildlife refugees and protected areas, Costa Rica offers a large number of learning and fun opportunities to enjoy natural resources. **JOIN US IN this unique opportunity to discover, learn and get engaged!**



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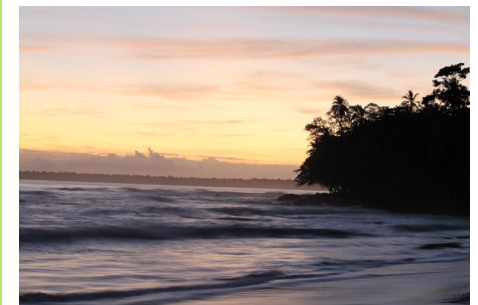
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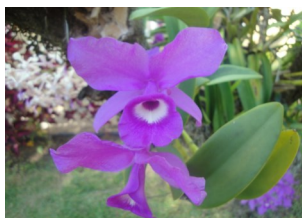


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Guarianthe skinneri : Costa Rican national flower

With just over 51,000 km² in territory, Costa Rica is one of the most exotic

countries that you can ever visit. Blessed by beautiful beaches, volcanos, biodiversity, and



Maquenque Falls in Si-quirres

a unique culture and political system devoted to the protection of natural resources,

the country offers a perfect setting for studying social, economic, and cultural aspects interactions with natural resources . This course will take you to a large variety of rural, and urban settings to learn about water management, ecotourism, agribusiness, biology, forestry, and renewable materials issues. The course balanced different teaching methods to increase the learning process to reflect on past, present, and future of natural resources in a developing country and their relationship to other geographies such as United States.

Program at a glance

Dates: Winter 2018. Class meetings required before actual excursion.

Excursion to Costa Rica: January 6 to January 13, 2018

Credits: 3, open to all majors.

Housing: Various locations, double occupancy.

Costs: \$2,700. Including airfare, local transportation, housing, daily meals, and exit taxes. Tuition and fees not included.

Consult your Department and the OIRED office for **SCHOLARSHIPS!**



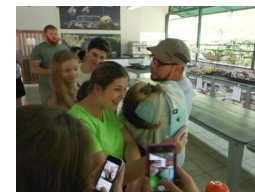
Zip-lining in Veragua Rainforest



Cahuita National Park

Tentative itinerary for the trip:

- Day 1. Departure to SJO.
- Day 2. EARTH campus Guacimo tour and lectures
- Day 3. Pineapple tour and Sustainable Communities
- Day 4. Sustainable Communities
- Day 5. Travel to EARTH La Flor Campus in Guanacaste
- Day 6. Lectures at EARTH La Flor campus and Industry tour
- Day 7. Geothermal energy tour and travel to the beach
- Day 8. Wildlife refuge tour. Afternoon free
- Day 9. Wood products industry tour
- Day 10. Free day in the beach
- Day 11. Return to USA through LIB



VT students at the Sloth sanctuary



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