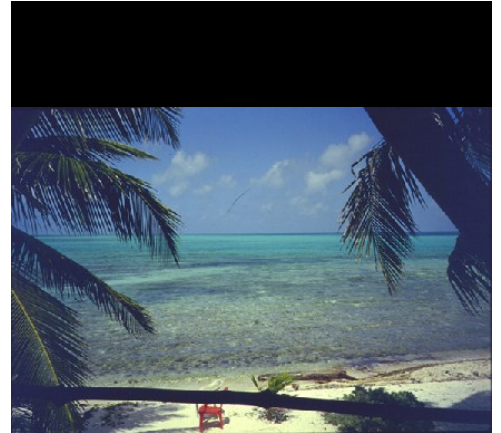


Belize Natural Resource Course

Rainforest to Reef, Resource Management in Belize: Temples, Timber, Jaguars, and Culture



Tentative Schedule: subject to change 10 night Study Abroad

DAY 1 – Fly into Belize City and go to the Tropical Education Center

DAY 2 – Visit the Belize Zoo in morning, travel to Las Cuevas Research Station stopping for a swim at Rio On Pools on the way in.

DAY 3 – Orientation at LCRS; lecture on research projects; Hike to the Bird Tower for natural history of the area and 360° view above the canopy.

DAY 4, 5, 6 – Split into 3 groups to help out on research projects

Group 1 – work with camera – check camera stations on jaguar project

Group 2 – work with scat dog – search for jaguar scat with Billy the scat dog

Group 3 – work on habitat surveys and learn to use a machete

DAY 7 – hike to river go for a swim; have survival lecture

DAY 8 – Go to Caracol Ruin in the morning; go caving in the afternoon

DAY 9 – head to the Cayes – Caye Caulker – go for swims and kayaks in the afternoon. Reef ecology in the afternoon

DAY 10 – Snorkel the reef half day or all day

DAY 11 – Head back to the USA

Tentative Cost Estimate: between \$2500 - \$3000 including plane ticket

For more information, please contact

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Please Note that you will need to sign up for 3 study abroad credits for next semester: NR 3954; CRN 14452