

# UF in Belize

MARINE ECOLOGY and CONSERVATION

SUMMER A: May 5-12, 2017

## COLLEGE INFORMATION

College of Agricultural & Life Sciences

Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation

## PROGRAM

During the program, you will actively experience marine organisms, habitats, and conservation issues, solutions, practices, and practitioners in the tropics. Belize has a diversity of coastal and marine ecosystems, the second largest barrier reef system in the world, and is renowned for its marine life and conservation practices. Many of these areas fall under some form of protection, with Belize having a greater proportion of its area under some form of protection and conservation management than any other country, and employing a variety of unique conservation strategies. Most of the course activities take place via snorkeling. Optional scuba activities are available for an additional fee. Lectures and activities are led by Dr. Bill Giuliano (more than 15 years of experience working with ecology and conservation in Belize), Dr. Ken Mattes (a renowned marine scientist with 20+ years of experience in the tropics), and others.

## LOCATION

The course will be taught from an established marine field station in San Pedro (Ambergris Caye), Belize. This is on the largest of the cayes in Belize that includes mangrove and other coastal systems, and is very close to the barrier reef system where most of the activities will take place. This is the second largest barrier reef system in the world, containing a tremendous diversity of marine life.

## HOUSING

Provided at the Belize Marine Tropical Research & Education Center – dorm rooms of 2-4 people.

**UNDERSTAND** Marine Ecology and Conservation

**EXPLAIN** Marine Ecology, Habitat, and Conservation terms as they relate to the Tropics of Belize

**COMPARE AND CONTRAST** Marine Ecology, Habitat, and Conservation Principles & Practices as they relate to the Tropics of Belize



## COURSE INFORMATION

**WIS 4905/WIS 6905: Marine Ecology & Conservation in the Tropics: Belize** (3 UF GPA credits)

**UF** International Center  
University of Florida

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## APPLICATION INFORMATION

2017 Application Deadline: **March 15, 2017**

Please apply online at: [www.ufic.ufl.edu/sas](http://www.ufic.ufl.edu/sas)

This program may reach its capacity before the deadline. Please apply early to ensure that your application is considered

## ELIGIBILITY | REQUIREMENTS

- Open to all majors
- 2.5 GPA or higher
- Successful completion of a Biology, Ecology, or Conservation course, or permission from the instructor

## 2017 PRICING

Undergraduate Program Fee: **\$1,979**

Graduate Program Fee: **\$2,227**

A \$350 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is due at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 45 days prior to departure. If you receive financial aid, you can defer payment until it disburses. Deferment decisions will be based on the amount of aid to be received.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

Tuition for 3 UF GPA credits, all meals, housing, local transportation, activity fees, international health insurance, and emergency medical assistance.

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

Round-trip airfare, required snorkeling equipment, additional personal travel, and personal expenses.



## FINANCIAL AID

Most financial aid that you would receive on campus during the summer can be applied toward the cost of this study abroad program. Additionally, CALS scholarships are available. UFIC recommends that you speak with your financial aid advisor about your financial aid eligibility for study abroad. More information can be found at Student Financial Affairs.

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