

UF in Belize

WILDLIFE ECOLOGY and CONSERVATION

SPRING BREAK: March 4-12, 2017

COLLEGE INFORMATION

College of Agricultural & Life Sciences

Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation

PROGRAM

Most of the 9 days of this program will be spent in the field examining wildlife (sea turtles and manatees to jaguars, macaws, and monkeys) and conservation issues in a diversity of landscapes and ecosystems (from rainforest and savanna to barrier reefs and mangroves). You will actively experience wildlife, habitats, and conservation issues, solutions, practices, and practitioners, as well as local peoples and cultures in the tropics. Dr. Bill Giuliano will lead most activities and has worked in Belize on wildlife ecology and conservation issues for more than 15 years.

LOCATION

Belize has a wide variety of unique wildlife found in diverse habitats. Belize has a greater proportion of its area under some form of protection and conservation management than any other country, and employs a variety of unique conservation strategies. Belize also has a diverse assemblage of peoples whose history and culture often influence wildlife, habitats, and conservation.

EXCURSIONS

Excursions include the Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary (the world's first jaguar conservation area), Belize Zoo, Chiquibul Forest, Mountain Pine Ridge Preserve, Bladen Forest Reserve, Runaway Creek Caves, Hol Chan Marine Reserve, a cacao sustainable farm/forest, and Caracol and Lamanai Archeological sites/Mayan ruins, among others.

HOUSING

You will stay in a variety of accommodations, from dormitories to remote cabins. Rooms are double-occupancy, and linens are provided.

UNDERSTAND Ecology and Conservation

EXPLAIN Concepts and Terms

COMPARE AND CONTRAST Ecology, Habitat, and Conservation principles and practices as they relate to the Tropics of Belize



COURSE INFORMATION

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

All students must attend and participate in all pre and post-travel meetings (available via distance learning).

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

2017 Application Deadline: **December 11, 2016**

Please apply online at: 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: **\$1,888**

Graduate Program Fee: **\$2,136**

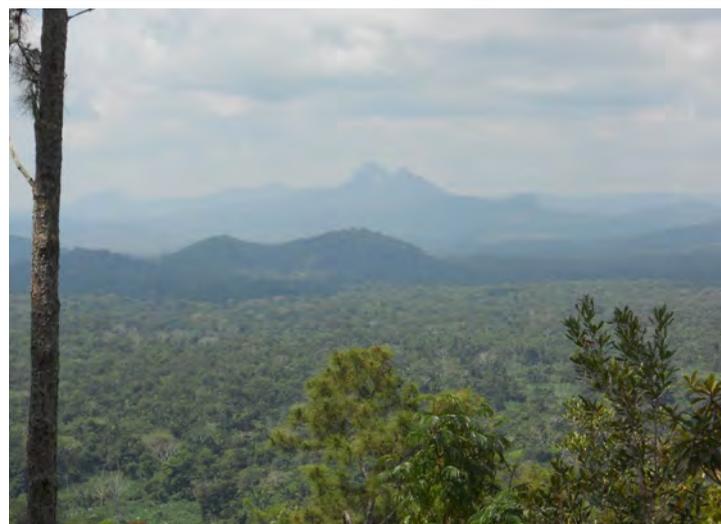
A \$350 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is due at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 45 days prior to departure. If you receive financial aid, you can defer payment until it disburses. Deferment decision will be based on the amount of aid to be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

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Tuition for 3-credit course, 8 nights' accommodation, all meals, ground transportation, all prescribed excursions and entrance 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 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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