PROGRAM

The goal of this program is to provide knowledge on how Non-Governmental Organizations (nonprofits) are managed to promote social developments and environmental conservation around the globe. This program includes travels across Belize for field visits with 10 NGOs for a deeper understanding on their operations & impacts. Program assessments include case studies, field visit logs, discussions & presentations.

LOCATION

Belize is a country in the Caribbean, bordered by Mexico, Guatemala, and the Caribbean Sea. It is renowned for its ancient treasures, welcoming residents, and natural beauty. This program will provide students many opportunities to observe its society, cultures, and vibrant ecosystems.

EXCURSIONS

The program includes several excursions to major landmarks and cultural sites, including the Belize Barrier Reef (second largest in the world), St. Herman Blue Hole, Xunantunich Mayan Ruins, a Maya village, and more!

HOUSING

Students will stay in the dormitories of Monkey Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, an environmental NGO located between Belize City and Belmopan on a 1000 acre conservation land bordering the Sibun River. Each week during the program, the group will also stay two days in the dorms of Las Cuevas Research Station, Tobacco Caye, Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary, and Punta Gorda for field visits to protected marine and forest areas.

COLLEGE INFORMATION

College of Agricultural & Life Sciences
Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences
Courses are taught by UF faculty

LEARN MORE OR APPLY

UFIC Website
internationalcenter.ufl.edu
Application Deadline
March 1, 2023

COURSE INFORMATION

All students will earn credit for the following courses:
FYC 4427/FYC 6423: Non-Governmental Organizations (3 credits)
FYC 4932/FYC 6932: NGOs - The Field Study (3 credits)
Total Number of Credits Offered: 6 UF GPA
PRICING

Undergraduate Program Fee: $6,220
Graduate Program Fee: $6,716

A $425 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 6 credits, housing, all meals, program excursions and travel, international health insurance, and emergency medical assistance.

WHAT’S NOT INCLUDED

Round-trip airfare, course textbook, additional personal travel and expenses.

FINANCIAL AID

Most financial aid that you would receive on campus can be applied toward the cost of this program. However, all financial aid eligibility is determined by SFA.

SCHOLARSHIPS

UFIC offers many study abroad scholarships, with various eligibility criteria. The Summer 2023 scholarship deadline is February 9, 2023. Apply on our website!

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

– Open to all majors and both undergraduate and graduate students
– Must have a 2.5 GPA or higher
– Must be in good standing
– Will be required to attend an information session and an interview