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Program at a glance


Excursion to Costa Rica: 11 days.

Credits: 3, open to all majors.

Housing: Various locations, double occupancy.

Costs: $2,650. Including airfare, local transportation, housing, daily meals, and exit taxes. Tuition and fees not included.

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Tentative itinerary for the Excursion:

- Day 1. Departure to SJO.
- Day 2. EARTH campus tour and lectures
- Day 3. Lectures and field experiences at EARTH
- Day 4. Visit Community La Argentina
- Day 5. Return to EARTH
- Day 6. Visit Southern Caribbean region: Cahuita
- Day 7. Continue Southern Caribbean Region: Talamanca
- Day 8. Continue Southern Caribbean Region: Veragua
- Day 9. Travel to SJO, cultural visits
- Day 10. Volcano Tour
- Day 11. Return to USA.

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