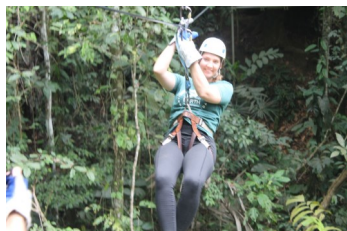


Country background



Costa Rica is one of the oldest democracies in the American Continent. The country is home of 4% of the world's total biodiversity. With 25% of the country under national parks, wildlife refugees and protected areas, Costa Rica offers a large number of learning and fun opportunities to enjoy natural resources. **JOIN US IN this unique opportunity to discover, learn and get engaged!**



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With just over 51,000 km² in territory, Costa Rica is one of the most exotic

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Maquenque Falls in Si-quirres

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Program at a glance

Dates: Winter 2017. Class meetings required before actual excursion.

Excursion to Costa Rica: January 6 to January 15, 2017

Credits: 3, open to all majors.

Housing: Various locations, double occupancy.

Costs: \$2,700. Including airfare, local transportation, housing, daily meals, and exit taxes. Tuition and fees not included.

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Zip-lining in Veragua Rainforest

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



Cahuita National Park



VT students at the Sloth sanctuary



Reventazon Hydroelectric project

- Day 6. Organic Pineapple tour visit and Renewable Energy project
- Day 7. Travel to Cahuita National Park
- Day 8. Cahuita National Park and Sloth Wildlife Refuge.
- Day 9. Veragua Rainforest and Travel to SJO
- Day 10. Volcano Tour

- Day 11. Return to USA.

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