



# Environmental Issues in Costa Rica

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**Dates:** Last two weeks in May

## Program Description:

In this course, students spend two and a half weeks in Costa Rica examining environmental issues and the case for environmental stewardship, defined as the need to make informed and responsible decisions with regard to the planet. Costa Rica provides a unique biological learning environment. It is one of the smallest countries in the Americas, yet has the most diverse selection of flora and fauna in the hemisphere. This diversity is now under threat from widespread habitat destruction, primarily through deforestation. At the same time, the country has one of the most enlightened and dedicated approaches to conservation in the world. Students get to experience first-hand the difficulties involved in working toward a balance between humans and nature, or development and the preservation of environmental quality. It is also a unique opportunity for students to engage in critical and reflective thinking about our resources, the environment, and our place within it.

**PROGRAM FEE: TBA**



### \*Included in Program Fee:

- Housing & Meals
- Cultural activities (as described above)
- Travel within country
- Airfare

### \*NOT included in Program Fee:

- Tuition —\$980 per credit hour
- Passport
- Spending money & personal expenses

**Credit hours:** 3 Credits

**ENSC 30313:** Environmental Issues in Costa Rica

**ENSC 70970:** Special Problems (Graduates Only)

**Prerequisites:** None

**Core:** Writing Emphasis