

# FROM THE STUDENTS

This trip was truly one of the biggest blessings of my life. To be able to be a part of such a journey and trip with an amazing group of people was just truly amazing... [We had] meaningful conversations over a plethora of scientific and spiritual topics.

~ Ethan H.

On our walk back to our hotel after dinner I admired South American culture. Outside almost every house and restaurant family and friends pulled out chairs and sat together, laughed, cheered, and watched soccer. What a cool act of fellowship.

~ Emma H.

That first time swimming with the sea lions was absolutely breathtaking. It was a surreal moment.

~ Abigail G.



TRAVEL COURSE  
SUMMER '24

3 CREDIT  
HOURS

CCE  
Pre-approved!

BIO 393  
BIOGEOGRAPHY OF THE

# GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

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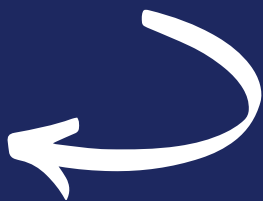
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SANTA CRUZ

APRIL 30 - MAY 13

- You **don't** have to be a science major!
- 3 **credit hours** that can substitute for BIO 101, BIO 219, or BIO 223 (or Foundations Lab Science credit)
- Counts towards **CCE**
- Costs approximately \$3200 **including** international airfare

APPLY NOW!



## CONTACT

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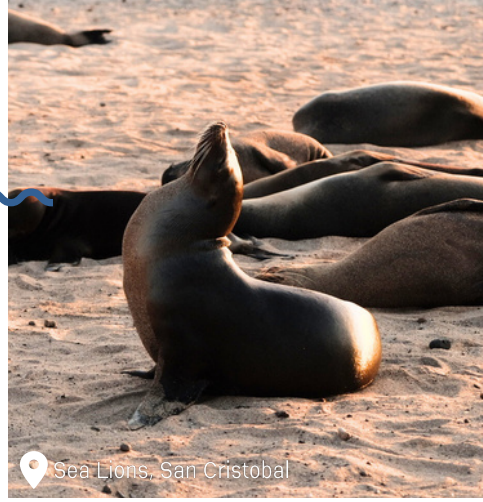
# TENTATIVE ITINERARY

\*Schedule is subject to change

- Day 1: TRAVEL TO THE ISLANDS**  
Meet in Miami and travel to the Galápagos Islands.
- Day 2: TORTOISE BREEDING CENTER TOUR**  
Land on San Cristobal Island and explore a tortoise breeding center.
- Day 3: MUELLE TIJERETAS & HIGHLANDS**  
Tour the highlands of San Cristobal and snorkel with marine wildlife.
- Day 4: TRANSFER TO SANTA CRUZ & TORTUGA BAY**  
Ferry to Santa Cruz and swim in Tortuga Bay, home to rays and sharks.
- Day 5: TRANSFER TO ISABELA & CONCHA PERLA**  
Transfer to Isabela and snorkel at Concha Perla with vibrant sea life.
- Day 6: ISLOTE LAS TINTORERAS**  
Kayak out into the ocean to see a variety of wildlife.
- Day 7: WALL OF TEARS**  
Ride a bike to the historical Wall of Tears and experience giant tortoises in the wild.



- Day 8: LOS TUNELES**  
Take a boat tour through lava-formed landscape, and see unique animals such as Nazca and Blue-Footed Boobies. Swim with Galápagos sharks and observe them resting in underwater caves.
- Day 9: VOLCAN SIERRA NEGRA**  
Hike to and around the rim of an active volcano, and enjoy desolate scenery. Experience a spectacular view of the surrounding islands from the summit.
- Day 10: TRANSFER TO SANTA CRUZ & DARWIN RESEARCH STATION**  
Transfer to Santa Cruz Island and explore the Darwin Research Station, final resting place of Lonesome George.
- Day 11: Transfer to San Cristobal & Cobos Finca**  
Practice field ecology techniques at a privately owned farm/conservancy.
- Day 12: LEON DORMIDO**  
Take a day trip to white sandy beaches and snorkel in deep water with hammerhead sharks, sea turtles, and rays at the famous Leon Dormido.
- Day 13: FLY BACK TO MIAMI**  
Say goodbye to the Galápagos Islands and begin the journey home.



Sea Lions, San Cristobal



Sea Lions, Muelle Tijeretas

# COURSE OBJECTIVE

Learn about the biology, biogeography, and history of the Galápagos Islands with an emphasis on how the ideas that arose there laid the foundation for the field of biology. Wrestle with topics involving Faith & Science.



Marine Iguana, Tortuga Bay

## NEXT STEPS

### APPLY

Application Deadline:  
**November 1, 2023, 11:59 pm**  
Follow the QR code on the back page to access the application to study abroad. You will receive a response from the team leader by November 15, 2023.

### BUDGET

The cost of this trip is approximately **\$3200**.  
**Includes:** International airfare, housing, excursions, tuition.  
**Does NOT include:** flight to Miami, meals, personal gear. Contact us for more details on budgeting for this trip.



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### PLAN

Make sure you academically plan ahead to make the most of the course. It is 1 credit hour and can substitute for BIO 101, BIO 219, or BIO 223 (or Foundations Lab Science credit). The experience can also fulfill your CCE requirement.

### COMMUNICATE

We want to see you in the Galápagos! Please reach out with any questions or concerns so that we can get you ready for this once-in-a-lifetime adventure. See contact information on the back page.



Giant Tortoise, Wall of Tears



Highlands of San Cristobal



Check out Dr. Brammell's website for more pictures.



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