

# Citrus College - Study Abroad in **COSTA RICA**

## WINTER 2024

### Arrive Costa Rica:

Monday, January 15

### Depart Costa Rica:

Sunday, February 4

Costa Rica is one of the most remarkable destinations in Central America. This majestic country extends from the Pacific Ocean to the Caribbean Sea where students will be introduced to astounding natural diversity. Ecological and geological communities such as rainforests, cloud forests, tropical dry forests, volcanoes, hot springs, rivers, waterfalls, beaches and islands all provide habitat for 5% of the world's flora and fauna species. With more than 25% of Costa Rica protected as national parks and reserves, places like the Arenal hot springs and the Monteverde rain forest will make for unique learning experiences.

### YOUR PROGRAM INCLUDES

Visits to:

- **Doka Coffee Plantation, Poás Volcano & La Paz Waterfall**
- **Sarapiquí & La Selva Biological Station:** including Natural History of La Selva lecture & Carbon Project workshop, Sarapiquí River boat ride, two night hikes & a morning hike with naturalist guides.
- **Arenal & Soltis Biological Research Center:** including Soltis Center introduction lecture, two night hikes with a naturalist guide, a waterfall hike, a tropical fruits class, a horseback ride to La Fortuna Waterfall, a hike at Arenal Volcano, a visit to Baldi Hot Springs.
- **Monteverde Biological Station** : including a Monteverde Biological Station introduction lecture, a visit to Monteverde Cloud Forest Bio Reserve, two night hikes and a morning hike with naturalist guide, a ziplining canopy tour.
- **Palo Verde Biological Station** including a Palo Verde Biological Station introduction lecture and a hike with a naturalist guide.
- **Hacienda Barú Lodge and Manuel Antonio National Park:** including Tárcoles River crocodile safari cruise, Carara National Park hike including entrance, day hike with a naturalist guide, entrance to the Manuel Antonio National Park & beach day.

Housing in shared, multi-bedded rooms in student accommodation in the biological stations and in a hotel near the San José airport (on the first and last nights of the program.)

Breakfast is included daily. Most lunches and dinners are included with the exception of arrivals/departure days and additional occasions as noted in the itinerary.

Transportation by private bus throughout the itinerary.

An AIFS Tour Manager for daily running of the program, information and emergency contact service.

Student medical insurance policy.

### PROGRAM FEE

Based on an enrollment of 15-19 participants, the fee per person is \$4475. For 20+ students, the fee per person is \$4395.

This fee excludes airfare, passport or visa fees, checked luggage allowance, some meals, personal expenses, any Citrus College tuition or administrative fees, textbooks, additional field trips or excursions required by the Citrus College faculty and anything not specified.

These fees are guaranteed not to change as a result of fluctuations in the \$ exchange rate.



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## FACULTY



**Robert Goodman, Jr**  
**Faculty, Forestry**  
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Robert Goodman instructs a diversity of classes in Natural History, Wildland Resources & Forestry, Environmental Science and Biology at Citrus College with over 30 years of teaching experience. He holds a Master's Degree from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona in Biological Sciences. His interest in natural resources with emphasis in plant and animal ecology has increased significantly with field experiences in many parts of the United States, Mexico, Costa Rica, Belize, Honduras, Ecuador, Galapagos Islands, Alaska and Hawaii. With over 15 publications and continuing wildlife research, Bobby is thrilled to share his knowledge with students to enhance their understanding of Costa Rican biodiversity and natural history while thinking critically about our role in the environment and promoting long-term sustainability.

## OPTIONAL AIRFARE PACKAGE

An optional airfare package is available, consisting of round-trip flights between Los Angeles and San José, for an additional \$645. This fare excludes mandatory U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges of \$130 (subject to change) for which students will be billed separately. (Total \$775.)

A minimum of 10 students must purchase the flight for it to be offered.

## COURSE

### **BIOL 145 Environmental Science**

**3 Units** (AA/AS; Citrus B1; CSU; UC; IGETC 5B; CSUGE B2)

Strongly recommended: BIOL 104 or BIOL 105 or BIOL 105H; ENGL 101.

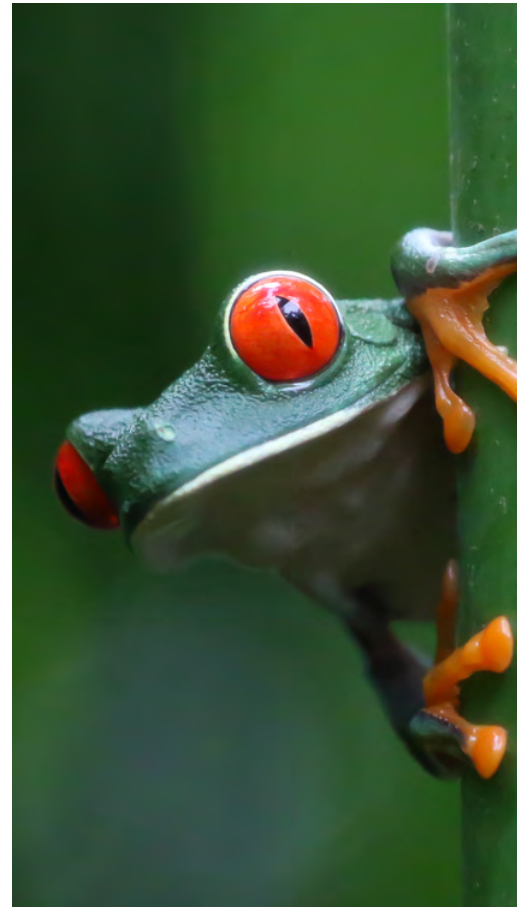
A lecture course exploring contemporary global environmental concerns. Basic concepts covered will include the Earth's life support systems, population dynamics, environmental pollution, food production, and natural resource utilization. Emphasis will be placed on recognizing global environmental problems and exploring various solutions for them.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY**    OCTOBER 13, 2023

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:**

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