About the Program
During the program, you will actively experience field techniques used by researchers to examine terrestrial natural resource ecology and conservation in the tropics, and conduct your own research projects. Most days will be spent in the field learning with faculty, students, and local experts. Drs. Michael Andreu and Bill Giuliano will lead most lectures and activities and have worked in Belize on ecology and conservation issues for more than a decade. The course will be taught in savanna and scrub-forest ecosystems of central Belize, and mountain and rainforest ecosystems in the remote Maya Mountains and Chiquibul Forest of western Belize.

About the Location
The course will be taught from the Program for Tropical Ecology & Conservation Science facilities at the Tropical Education Center (Belize District; situated in Savanna and Scrub-Forest ecosystems) and Las Cuevas Research Station (Cayo District/Chiquibul; situated in the Maya Mountains & Rainforest).

Excursions
Excursions include Belize Zoo, Maya Mountains, Chiquibul Forest, Mountain Pine Ridge Reserve, Runaway Creek and Las Cuevas Caves, and Caracol Archeological sites/Mayan ruins, among others.

About the Program
Understand Field Techniques Used in the Study of Terrestrial Natural Resource Ecology and Conservation.

Explain Concepts, Terms, and Techniques as they Relate to the Tropics of Belize.

Compare and Contrast Principles and Techniques as They Relate to the Tropics of Belize.

Develop and Complete a Natural Resource Research Project in the Tropics of Belize.

Course Information
College of Agricultural & Life Sciences
Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation
School of Forest Resources and Conservation

WIS4905/WIS6905 or FOR4905/FOR6905:
Field Methods in Ecology and Conservation

5 UF GPA credits
All students must attend and participate in all pre and post-travel meetings in the Spring of 2014 (available via distance learning).
Application Information
2014 Application Deadline: November 15, 2013
Please apply online at www.ufic.ufl.edu/sas

Eligibility/Requirements
-open to all majors
 -2.5 GPA
-successful completion of a Biology, Ecology, Natural Resource, or Conservation course
-instructor permission

Financial Aid
Most financial aid that you would receive on campus can be applied toward the cost of this study abroad program. Additionally, CALS scholarships are available.

UFIC recommends that you speak with your financial aid advisor. More information can be found at Student Financial Affairs.

2014 Pricing
2014 Undergraduate Program Fee: $2,230
2014 Graduate Program Fee: $2,824

A $300 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is due at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 45 days prior to departure. If you receive financial aid, you can defer payment until it disburses.

What’s Included:
Tuition for 5 UF GPA credits, all meals, housing, local transportation, activity fees, international health insurance, and medical emergency assistance.

What’s Not Included:
Round-trip airfare, additional personal travel, and personal expenses.

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