

Why Costa Rica?

Costa Rica is a nation of 4.5 million people and is the second oldest democracy in the hemisphere. It has high rates of literacy and safe drinking water throughout the country. It has an outstanding health care system and low rates of infant mortality.

Costa Rica has low rates of crime and friendly people who welcome visitors.



Children and UNCG students at the child care center in the refugee community of La Carpio.

General Course Information

- ❑ No special shots or visa needed to travel to Costa Rica.
- ❑ A pre-trip seminar will be held in the Spring.
- ❑ Participants will be expected to purchase required books.
- ❑ **US passport required.**
- ❑ All students do weekday home stays with screened and experienced Costa Rican families.
- ❑ Faculty hold seminars weekly and are available daily for consultation.
- ❑ No previous Spanish language training required.
- ❑ Students placed in language class according to skill level.
- ❑ FAQ sheet available for additional questions
- ❑ Applications available in 235 Stone Bld. HES Dean's Office
- ❑ See trip video on You Tube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8aCkuXYDZuQ>

UNCG RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL OR ALTER THE PROGRAM FORMAT OR CHANGE THE COSTS IN CASE OF CONDITIONS BEYOND ITS CONTROL. IF STUDENTS WITHDRAW FROM THE PROGRAM AFTER MARCH 15, \$160 THAT WILL COVER THE COST OF ARRANGING HOST FAMILY LODGING AND SEATS IN HIRED BUS EXCURSIONS WILL BE RETAINED IN ADDITION TO THE NON-REFUNDABLE \$400 DEPOSIT

Advance your capacity
to work with Latino
people...come study in
Costa Rica



THE UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA
GREENSBORO

*Summer Language and Culture
Immersion in Costa Rica
May 29 through June 19, 2011*

*Sponsored by the UNCG
School of Human Environmental
Sciences*





The School of Human Environmental Sciences and the Departments of Social Work and Human Development & Family Studies offer an exciting summer program that will help students increase their capacity to work with Latin American people.

In cooperation with Centro Panamericano de Idiomas (CPI), students will explore the culture of Costa Rica through intensive interaction with local families, social agencies and skilled Spanish language instructors.

All students will stay with selected Costa Rican families in Heredia (near San Jose) and in the cloud forest of Monteverde. There will be several special trips to unique ecological and cultural sites.

UNCG Costa Rica Summer 2011

This study abroad program provides an all-inclusive opportunity to learn about the culture and language of Latin America.

Each weekday will include four hours of language training in a small group setting (1 instructor to 4 students). There will be weekly visits to agencies and organizations that work with vulnerable populations. Speakers will talk about human service programs in Costa Rica.

The stay with local families format will increase the students' understanding of local culture, customs and their ability to engage in conversation.

Among the Activities Included in This Course

- o Service projects in Monteverde and Heredia.
- o Service-Learning projects with the Humanitarian Foundation of Costa Rica in selected refugee communities.
- o Service-Learning project with indigenous people of eastern Costa Rica.
- o Daily opportunities for cultural learning and discussion with experts on Latino cultures.
- o Weekend tour of Adrenal Volcano area including nature hike and visit to hot springs.
- o Weekend tour to Caribbean coast with nature tour, snorkeling opportunity, and time to relax.
- o Other cultural activities include exploration of coffee industry, cheese factory in Monteverde and eco-tourism through Sky Trek.

Cost of Study

Program costs include all excursions, lodging, instruction, two meals per day, all transportation, and transfers to and from airport.

Program Cost	\$3100
Additional Costs	
Air fare (estimated)	\$700
Spending Money	\$200

Course Information

All are 3-hour courses—Select Two

SWK 522 Cross Cultural Studies

SWK 510/410 Special Subjects: Latino Family Issues

HDF 527 Independent Study-Latino Families
Course substitutions made for major requirement.
See advisor for details.

Deposit of \$400 is due by December 15
\$1125 due February 28
Balance due April 15
Deposit is non-refundable

HOW DO I APPLY?

- o Get application and reference forms from HES Dean's Office
- o Complete and return forms to Dean's Office (235 Stone Bldg.)
- o Make payment of \$400 to UNCG International Program Center
- o Schedule Interview with faculty member

Questions?

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