

# STUDY ABROAD



## COSTA RICA

### Geotourism & Adventure Tourism

¡Pura Vida! Join an adventure in the tourism capital of Central America – rainforest hikes, white-water rafting, and zip-lining. Explore national parks and natural areas on the coasts of the Pacific and Caribbean Sea. Stay in eco-lodges and experience abundant wildlife, including sloths and sea turtles. Experience culture and beauty in the growing fields of geo- and adventure tourism.

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Apply by **February 1, 2019** at:  
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## Walk-In Advising Hours:

Monday: 8am - 4pm  
Tuesday: 8am - 4pm  
Wednesday: 8am - 7pm  
Thursday: 8am - 4pm  
Friday: 8am - 4pm  
*No appointment necessary!*

# Dates

May 13 - June 14, 2019  
(4.5 weeks)

# Housing

Program participants will live in on-campus housing and a variety of eco-lodges.

# Eligibility

2.0 GPA required.

**Non-GVSU students** are eligible.  
*Visit the website for details.*

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# Courses

Students will register for a total of 6 credits:

**HTM 268:** Adventure Tourism (3 credits) **AND**  
**HTM 368:** Geotourism (3 credits) **OR**  
**HTM 399:** Independent Study

*Fulfills General Education Global Perspectives requirement*

*Fulfills a course in General Education Issues: Sustainability*

**Language of instruction:** English

# Excursions & Highlights

- Engage in zip lining and white water rafting activities to gain a better understanding of Adventure Tourism
- Visit National Parks and Preserves to facilitate an understanding of Nature Tourism and wildlife conservation
- Explore chocolate farms on horseback, tour the world's only Starbucks coffee plantation, and visit sea turtle and other cultural museums, to facilitate an understanding of agrotourism and conservation

# Cost

Program Fee	Tuition	Other expenses
<b>\$6,038</b> (paid to GVSU)	<b>\$3,282</b> (paid to GVSU)	<b>\$445</b> (estimate)
<i>What's Included?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Round-trip airfare</li><li>• Accommodation</li><li>• Meals</li><li>• Field trips and entrance fees</li><li>• All ground transportation</li></ul>	<i>What's Included?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6 credits</li></ul>	<i>What's Included?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passport (\$150)</li><li>• Vaccinations (\$147)</li><li>• Personal expenses (\$120)</li><li>• ISIC card - optional (\$28)</li></ul>

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$9,765

## How do I pay for study abroad?

Students can use financial aid, scholarships, grants, personal funds and alternative loans to fund study abroad. Scholarship options include but are not limited to the Faculty-Led Program Grant (\$1,500). Faculty-Led program grants are need-based and limited.

For more information on funding, visit [www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad)



*\*All program information including courses, duration of program, dates and other logistics are subject to change. Fee subject to adjustment based on actual exchange rates and international airfare. Programs may be cancelled due to extenuating circumstances.*