



STUDY ABROAD

Costa Rica: Geotourism & Adventure Tourism

SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA — ¡Pura Vida! Join us on an adventure through Costa Rica, the geo- and adventure tourism capital of Central America. During this program, we will participate in a variety of tourism experiences including rainforest hikes, white water rafting, and zip lining. We will explore tourism sites including Costa Rican National Parks, farm areas, cocoa plantations, museums and natural areas along the coasts of the Pacific Ocean and Caribbean Sea. We will also stay in a variety of accommodations, including luxury eco-lodges throughout the country, and share experiences with Costa Rica's biodiversity and abundant wildlife. We will participate in volunteer projects involving sea turtle conservation and mangrove forest restoration. Experience the culture and beauty of Costa Rica, and gain hands-on experience in the growing field of geo- and adventure tourism.



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Apply by **February 1, 2018** at:
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Walk-In Advising Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8am - 4pm
*Hours are extended to 7pm on
Wednesdays during the fall & winter
semesters.*

No appointment necessary!

Dates

May 14 - June 15, 2018
(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.

Apply

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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**

Course fulfills general education Issues requirement: Sustainability

HTM 399: Independent Study

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 museums and animal sanctuaries in the capital city of San Jose, to facilitate an understanding of history and conservation

Cost

Program Fee	Tuition	Other expenses
\$6,248 (paid to GVSU)	\$3,150 (paid to GVSU)	\$443 (estimate)
<i>What's Included?</i>	<i>What's Included?</i>	<i>What's Included?</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Round-trip airfare• Accommodation• Meals• Field trips and entrance fees• All ground transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Passport (\$140)• Vaccinations (\$150)• Personal expenses (\$125)• ISIC card - optional (\$28)

Total Estimated Cost: \$9,841

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**



**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.*