



BELIZE

SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY SHORT-TERM STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

Apply by Nov 19, 2021. Program runs March 11-20, 2022. Program Min: 10, Max: 20.

Course Offered

BIO275 Tropical Biology (3 credits) (taken during the spring semester)

Fulfills elective credit for Biology and Environmental Studies Majors/Minors or a free elective for all other Majors.

Or

CEG 222 Research Methods (3 credits) (taken during the spring semester)

Fulfills required course credit for Environmental Studies, Global Studies and SOAN majors and free elective for students in other majors

All course fulfillments are subject to approval by an advisor.

Program Highlights

- Hands-on marine ecology which includes snorkeling at the Meso American Barrier Reef
- See over 200 species of birds and mammals
- Hands-on rainforest ecology at the Toucan Ridge Ecology and Education Society field station
- Develop a collaborative research project investigating the impacts of different agricultural practices on local tropical biodiversity



Academic Focus

BIO 275 Tropical Biology: the program offers students the opportunity to study first-hand the evolutionary ecology of plant and animal taxa in tropical coral reef, mangrove, and forest ecosystems. Students will explore the ecological dynamics of diverse tropical habitats as well as the human dimensions of tropical systems and principles of conservation biology.

CEG 222 Research Methods: students will have the opportunity to investigate the interconnections between agricultural production, global trade, environmental change, and cultural resilience in a developing economy. The program will be an opportunity for students to explore how economic and environmental processes that are global in scope affect communities at the local level.

Program Expectations

Pre-departure meetings will be held to inform students of program content and requirements. While in Belize, students will be conducting field experiments, observations, and interviews, and they will present analyses of their research after the program concludes.

Accommodations/Meals

Housing is dorm-style bungalows. Running water, hot showers, and indoor plumbing are not available at all locations. All meals in Belize are covered by the program fee.

Eligibility Requirements

- Open to all students
- Enrolled in CEG 222 or BIO 275 for spring semester
- Minimum 2.7 cumulative GPA
- Availability of academic credits to fulfill degree requirements
- Good disciplinary, financial and academic standing at the time of program departure.
- Participation in mandatory pre-departure orientation sessions

Program Fee \$3200-4000 Approx. (To be Confirmed Nov)

Included in this fee:

Round trip airfare on group flight departing Providence
 3 credits Salve Regina tuition
 Airport transfers & ground transportation in Belize
 Accommodations in Belize
 All meals while in Belize
 Official excursions and entrance fees
 International travel insurance

Not Included in this fee:

Transportation to and from Providence for group flight
 Passport fee (\$135) - if applicable
 Student visa - if applicable
 Course textbooks - if applicable
 Personal expenses (recreation, tips, laundry, snacks, other personal items/services)
 Personal travel in free time/vacations

Flight

Participants will be booked onto the group flight unless they notify the CGEF in writing that they will make their own arrangements. To do so, email studyabroad@salve.edu by December 3, 2021. A refund for the flight (amount TBD) will be issued. The CGEF is unable to book seats for participants on flights other than the round-trip group flight. Participants making their own flight arrangements will need to meet the group at the designated time and airport location so that they can join the group shuttle. No flights should be booked until programs are confirmed and meeting times and locations are officially communicated to participants.

Payment Schedule

\$1200 Deposit due by **December 3, 2021**. Your deposit holds your space in the program. Please be aware that there is a withdrawal and refund policy outlined in your Participation Agreement. **Final Payment** due by **January 21, 2022**.

Financial Aid

Consult with your Financial Aid Counselor. Generally, only Parent Plus Loans are applicable to short-term study abroad programs.

Scholarships

Salve Regina study abroad scholarships are reserved for full-time semester and year-long programs. Research your non-Salve Regina scholarship options at: <http://www.salve.edu/study-abroad/study-abroad-scholarships>



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How to Apply

Complete the short-time online application and submit all required supplemental materials by the application deadline. Application opens October 15. Visit ViaTRM, our online program search and application tool to begin the application and view program updates.

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