

GALÁPAGOS, ECUADOR

Travel to the amazing Galápagos Islands in Ecuador, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and explore animal and human life there with Drs. Rosanne Lorden & Robert Mitchell of the EKU Psychology Faculty, Caroline Jahn and Dr. Richard Sambrook of the EKU Geography & Geology Faculty.

The courses offered are (no prerequisites for any courses):

PSY 597/797: Topics in Psychology 1: Human Ethology

Students will study human nonverbal behavior and natural history. The course will focus on human social behavior generally and cross-cultural perspectives of South American cultures, including topics such as the family, economics, geography, gender, religion, language, and history.

PSY 597/797: Topics in Psychology 2: Observation of human and animal behavior

Students will learn the techniques of observational research, and use these techniques to study animal and/or human behavior. Sea lions and their interactions with each other and with humans will be of especial interest.

GLY 303: Global Environmental Obstacles. Gen. Ed. VII (NS)

Investigation of the Earth as a complex set of interconnected systems that cycle elements, water, and earth materials over geologic and human time scales. The course emphasizes global environmental changes that occur on the planet because of human actions. The Galápagos Islands serve as a case study for this course.

GEO 450: Field studies: Nature tourism in Galápagos

Students will study the economic, environmental, and social impacts of ecotourism development in the Galápagos Islands. Students will keep a field journal to record daily observations.

GLY 800: Galápagos Field Studies for Teachers

This course will introduce teachers to the natural history and recent human settlement of the Galápagos Islands, with a focus on contemporary conservation issues, in light of rigorous content aligned to the Kentucky Core Content for Assessment. This is a field-based learning experience that will include some action research activities and a variety of outcome assessment methods. Teachers will keep a field journal and develop a unit of study as an assessment outcome of this course.

PROGRAM FEES

Price: Approx. \$3,200 with a minimum of 12 students enrolled in at least one course, where in-state summer tuition for one 3 credit undergraduate course is \$711, for a total of \$3,911. One 3 credit graduate course is \$1023.00 for a combined total of \$4223. Please note that prices are subject to change depending upon final enrollment, timely registration, availability and price of seats and deposits on airfare and other required bookings. The above prices are based upon a roundtrip fare of \$850 from Louisville to Quito, Ecuador. Students who wish to book their own airfare to Ecuador may deduct \$850 from the above price. Financial Aid and scholarships may be available. You must have a valid U.S. Passport. In-service teachers may apply to the Center for Middle School Academic Achievement for \$1000 stipends upon enrollment in the Field Studies for Teachers course. Preference will be given to in-service middle school teachers but other teachers may apply. Contact Laura Weitcamp at 859-622-1513 for details. The estimated program prices include:

Airfare (round trip)

Lodging and breakfast, lunch and dinner

International Student Identity Card, which provides basic accident/health insurance policy

Boat and other transportation

Galápagos Park Entry Fee

Tour guide and EKU faculty members

Program fee does NOT include:

EKU tuition for courses (Tuition waivers and financial aid can be used)

Transportation to and from US city of departure

Individual spending money

Textbooks

Passport fees

Snacks, drinks, etc. outside regular meals

Tips for Ecuadorian guides

Health insurance other than the basic coverage provided by International Student Identity Card

Some inoculations may be required. A call to the Public Health Department will determine which inoculations are required or recommended.

Preference will be given to students enrolled in two courses.

Tentative dates for program: Courses run approx. from May 27 through June 17, 2008.

Application deadline (approx.): March 15, 2008.

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