



**Undergraduate / Graduate**

**Application Deadline:** March 20, 2015

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## **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

Join us during Maymester (last 2 weeks of May) for geomorphic field excursions through northwestern Costa Rica and earn 6 semester credit hours in GEOG 4060/6060 (Field & Laboratory Methods in Physical Geography) and/or GEOG 4070/6070 (Field Study of Geomorphology).

We will travel through northwestern Costa Rica by van, trekking through volcanic terrain, hot springs, lakes, rivers, dunes, caves, and beaches, concluding the program in the cloud forest at the UGA Costa Rica campus.

This is an immersion educational experience in a place where most geomorphic systems are well represented. There will therefore be a moderate amount of hiking involved, so appropriate physical conditioning and footwear is important to the experience. Emphasis is on field analysis and interpretation of processes and landforms, including reconnaissance by horseback and boat. Field sights include most geomorphic systems: tectonic, volcanic, weathering, soils, fluvial, hillslope, eolian, karst, and coastal systems.

## **UGA COSTA RICA CAMPUS**

Program courses are taught using both state-of-the art classrooms and through "living classroom" excursions. All in all, the 155-acre campus, located in San Luis de Monteverde, is comprised of 45,000 square feet of built space, which includes computer labs, spacious bungalows, a student union, and recreational facilities. Additionally, there are nearly 3 miles of hiking trails throughout the property, along with a working organic farm and reforestation nursery.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Enrollment is limited to 10 qualified students.

To apply, students must submit all 3 of the following:

- A complete UGA Costa Rica program online application (see website)
- A UGA transient application (only if a non-UGA student)
- A \$300 deposit check—cash or credit cards not accepted—must be delivered or mailed to the Office of International Education. \$275 of this deposit will be refunded if the applicant withdraws by the program's withdrawal deadline (see website).

If you are a transient student, please visit our website for complete application instructions.

## FACULTY

- Dr. David Leigh

**COURSES:** Students will earn 6 credit hours.

- GEOG 4060 - Field and Lab Methods in Physical Geography
- GEOG 6060 - Field and Lab Methods in Physical Geography (graduate)
- GEOG 4070 - Field Study of Geomorphology
- GEOG 6070 - Field Study of Geomorphology (graduate)

## COSTS & PAYMENTS

Program fees are listed on the program's webpage. These fees cover all your lodging (both on- and off-campus), three meals per day, travel insurance, program excursion entry fees, and all sponsored in-country program transportation. Additional costs include UGA in-state tuition\* and fees, personal items, and international airfare.

\***Note:** Out-of-state students pay in-state tuition. The HOPE scholarship applies. For more information on tuition and fees, please visit the UGA Bursar's website at [www.bursar.uga.edu](http://www.bursar.uga.edu).

## NON-UGA STUDENTS

An additional application and \$60 processing fee is required for non-UGA students to enroll at UGA. Visit [www.admissions.uga.edu](http://www.admissions.uga.edu) to download the Transient Student application. Contact the UGA Costa Rica Office to confirm when you have started the application process. In addition to tuition, non-UGA students will be charged \$250 (unless attending a USG or SEC institution), assessed by the UGA Bursar's office.

Learn more and apply online at  
[www.ugacostarica.com](http://www.ugacostarica.com)