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UGA Costa Rica 2009-2010 Summer Semester Study Abroad Application

**Insect & Bird Natural History
 June 13 – June 29, 2010**

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

SECTION I

Application Process Checklist

- Complete application form & statement of purpose.
- IMPORTANT** Non-UGA students MUST complete the Transfer Student Application found on-line https://www.admissions.uga.edu/apps/off_site. Please note that you will have to create an account (which is free) and that there is a \$60 transient application fee when you are ready to submit the application. Make sure to indicate within the application the study abroad program and the term on which you want to participate and be sure to send a copy of your acceptance letter to UGA to the UGA Costa Rica office. Fax the *Mandatory Certificate of Immunization* form found at www.uhs.uga.edu/documents/immunization-forms-12-08.pdf to the UGA Costa Rica office.
- Submit official transcript. First semester freshmen must submit high school transcript. Second semester freshman please submit your college transcript.
- Request two recommendations or references. (Use attached forms.)
- \$300 deposit will be made payable via the UGA student accounts system the week following submission of this application. No application is complete without the deposit, which will be deducted from the total cost of the program. The deposit will be refunded if the applicant is not accepted, or if the applicant withdraws by the program's withdrawal deadline.
- Turn in the complete application to the UGA Costa Rica Office. (Only complete applications will be considered. A complete application includes the application form, statement of purpose, transcript, & paid deposit on your student account.)
 Applications may be mailed to:
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IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Maymester and Summer programs

Early application deadline
Feb. 12, 2010

Application deadline
March 5, 2010

Withdrawal deadline
(Deposit not refundable after this date)
March 19, 2010

Course Offerings

(Courses offered are subject to change.)

- ENTO 3140-3140L
 - Insect Natural History (4 hrs)

OR

- ENTO 8900
 - Special Problems (4 hrs)

AND

- WILD 4060/6060-4060L/6060L
 - Field Ornithology (4 hrs)

SECTION II

Personal Information

Applicant's full name (as it appears on passport): _____

Preferred name: _____ Student identification number: _____

E-mail address: _____ Social security number: _____

Birth date: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____

How would you describe yourself (this information is used only for statistical purposes):

- Asian, Asian American or Pacific Islander African American / Black White / Caucasian
 Biracial / Multiracial: _____ Hispanic / Latino Prefer not to respond
 Native American / American Indian / Native Alaskan / Native Hawaiian – Tribal affiliation: _____
 Other: _____

Campus address: _____

Campus phone: () _____ Cell phone: () _____

Permanent address: _____

Permanent phone: () _____

Parent's (or guardian's) names: _____

Parent's (or guardian's) address(es): _____

Parent's home phone: () _____ Day phone: () _____

Parent's email address(es): _____

UGA Costa Rica will only contact your parents via email if you provide their email address. We ask for this information so we may contact them with information pertaining to your program (billing, program changes, etc.). By providing their email address you are authorizing UGA Costa Rica to release information regarding your UGA Costa Rica study abroad program.

Emergency contact name/relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Country of citizenship: _____ Passport number: _____

Date of issuance: _____ Passport agency: _____ Expiration: _____

If you don't have a passport yet, please give the date on which you applied for it: _____

Your food preference: Non-vegetarian (meat ok) Vegetarian Vegan

If you are vegetarian or vegan, will you eat rice and beans? Yes No

SECTION III

Academic Information

Admission status: UGA student
 Non-UGA student/transient student

University currently attending (for non UGA students): _____

First major: _____ Second major: _____

Minor: _____ GPA: _____ Expected graduation date: _____

Academic level: Freshman
 Sophomore
 Junior
 Senior
 Graduate

If you are a graduate student, are you on an assistantship? Yes No
Are you an in-state or out-of-state student (for UGA students)? In-state Out-of-state

Financial Aid Information

Do you receive any financial aid? Yes No

If yes, please list. _____

Spanish Language Proficiency

List any Spanish courses you have taken: _____

How do you rate your proficiency? High Medium Low

Additional Academic Information

List all universities/colleges you have previously attended:

Name _____ Dates: From _____ To _____

Degree(s) awarded _____ Major _____

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If you have lived, studied, or traveled in a foreign country, state where and when. _____

Upon acceptance, we will send your acceptance materials to you through the mail. Please indicate to which address you would like the following be sent.

- Acceptance packet: Campus Home Other
- Billing information (invoices or receipts) Campus Home Other

SECTION IV

Statement of Purpose

To complete your application, please include a “statement of purpose” with your application form and \$300 deposit. The statement should be no more than two typed pages, double-spaced.

Explain why you have chosen this program and describe your academic and personal goals. What might you contribute to the experience of the whole group? Describe challenges you expect to face and how you will deal with them. Include any other additional information.

SECTION V

Disciplinary Record

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic offense, or are any criminal charges now pending against you? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

Have you ever been found guilty of violating any high school, college or university regulations or the student code of conduct for UGA or any other institution, or do you have any sanctions currently pending?

Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

SECTION VI

Questionnaire

How did you find out about the program? _____

T-shirt option:

UGA Costa Rica t-shirts are available for purchase for \$12. If you would like to purchase a shirt please select the size below and the charge will be added to your student account.

 ___XS ___S ___M ___L ___XL

SECTION VII

References

Please obtain two references using the attached forms. Include them with the application OR have them directly sent to the UGA Costa Rica Office, 110 E. Clayton St., Bank of America Building, 3rd Floor, Suite 317, Athens, GA 30602. References from faculty or employers are preferred.

SECTION VIII

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Scholarships and financial aid opportunities can be found at: <http://www.uga.edu/oie/safinaid.htm>. When available, UGA Costa Rica offers limited scholarships. To apply, please visit: http://www.uga.edu/costarica/program_scholarships.htm. The Office of International Education also offers scholarships, please visit their scholarship website for more information: http://uga.edu/oie/sa_scholarship.htm.

SECTION IX

Study Abroad Policies, agreement, release and application signature (Read carefully!)

1. Students' applications WILL be accepted after application deadlines if the program is not yet full.
2. All students (UGA, non-UGA, in-state, and out-of-state) pay in-state tuition. The transient application, \$50 processing fee (checks only), and immunization form are required for non-UGA students to enroll per the Admissions Office. Also, the Bursar's Office charges \$250 for non-UGA students (waived for USG & SEC students).
3. Program fees may change due to unforeseen circumstances. Airfare is an additional expense and students will be responsible for making their own flight reservations.
4. Applications are NOT complete without a deposit which will be applied to your student account one week following the submission of this application; and all other required documents.
5. Deposits will be refunded if the applicant is not accepted or withdraws prior to the withdrawal deadline.
Withdrawal deadline:
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6. Early applicants who receive a special offer and withdraw from a program prior to the withdrawal deadline will receive a pro-rated refund.
7. Applications will be reviewed by program directors and faculty; decisions regarding acceptance will be announced no later than 2 weeks after the application deadline. Acceptance materials will be mailed no later than 2 weeks after the announcements of acceptances.
8. If a student is dismissed from the program while in-country, no refund will be made of any fees paid.
9. Programs are subject to cancellation due to insufficient student enrollment. In this case, a full refund of program fees will be returned to applicants.
10. In the event a program is cancelled due to terrorism, a State Department warning, or other circumstances that could make the program location unsafe, all monies not already spent on behalf of the student will be refunded.
11. I understand that if I withdraw after the withdrawal deadline, for any reason, I will not only forfeit the deposit but must also pay a pro-rated share of the program cost, determined by the Program Director and based on costs incurred by the Program on my behalf.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read, understand and will comply with the above policies. I hereby authorize officials at any university I have attended to release my disciplinary records to the study abroad program director of the program to which I am applying. I fully understand that my disciplinary records may be a factor in evaluating my application.

I further acknowledge that the information provided on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I fully understand that providing false information during the application process may be grounds for rejecting my application or grounds for dismissal from the study abroad program.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Reference Form**

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I. This section is to be completed by the student applicant (*please print or type*).

Applicant's name _____ Applicant's local telephone _____

E-mail _____ Program Name: _____
(ex: Fall Tropical Ecology)

This reference is ___ confidential _____ not confidential

II. This section to be completed by the referee

Name and title of referee _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. Is there any reason why you would not recommend that the applicant participate in a study abroad program?

Please indicate your perceptions of the applicant's competence in the following areas:

Area	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding	Inadequate Opportunity To Observe
Intellectual Curiosity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emotional Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stress Tolerance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to interact with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adaptability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cooperation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-motivation/ Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other remarks may be written or typed on the back of this form or on a separate sheet.

Signature of Referee _____ Date _____

Please notify the student when he/she may pick up reference or forward it to the address above.

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