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**SOME PLACES  
OF INTEREST**

**Braulio Carillo  
National Park**

**La Tirimbina**

**Isla del Cano**

**Monteverde Cloud  
Forest Reserve**

**Santa Rosa  
National Park**

**Savegre**

**San Jose**

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# Costa Rica Tropical Ecology

NRES 407/607

DECEMBER 26, 2010 - JANUARY 14, 2011

## Central America Awaits UWSP Students

### Program Highlights:

Visit and view some of the most biologically diverse ecosystems in the world.

Explore rain forests, cloud forests, active volcanoes, estuaries, coral reefs, mangroves, dry tropical forests, beaches, banana and coffee plantations. Observe the incredible array of flora and fauna in this small, but diverse country. Identify several hundred species of birds. See howler monkeys, leatherback turtles, sloths, crocodiles, and if you're lucky, a jaguarundi!

*Not enough?* You will also learn about issues surrounding eco-tourism and sustainable development, including exposure to the Costa Rican model for managing natural resources in a tropical country.

Experience the traditions of democracy, peace, and hospitality in the rich cultural heritage of Costa Rica as you travel to and fro by bus and boat, with great hiking and snorkeling in-between.

**Leatherback Sea Turtle**



**Scarlet Macaw**

## Credits and Application Deadline

Participants enroll for three credits in *Natural Resources 407/607 Costa Rica Tropical Ecology* (audit option available at the same price). No prerequisites and Environmental Literacy designation applies. Graduate credit is at an additional cost.

**The application deadline is May 15, 2010. HURRY, HURRY,** because space is limited to 25 students!

Applications can be picked up from Bobbi Kubish, TNR 192, the International Programs Office, CCC 108, or printed out at [www.uwsp.edu/studyabroad](http://www.uwsp.edu/studyabroad).

More information is available online at [www.uwsp.edu/studyabroad](http://www.uwsp.edu/studyabroad) and [www.uwsp.edu/cnr/international](http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/international).

# Important Information

## **Cost: \$4,100-\$4,600**

(Estimate for up to 25 students). The program cost includes airfare (Chicago-San Jose-Chicago), lectures, accommodations, most meals, in country transportation, UW-system health/travel insurance, and 3 credits tuition for a WI undergraduate resident (Minnesota Residents: \$70 surcharge (approx.) with approved reciprocity non-residents: \$250 surcharge).

**Deposit:** Return completed application to CCC 108 with a \$250 (non-refundable but transferable) deposit.

**Withdrawal:** Up to ten weeks before departure all fees except the initial deposit will be refunded. After that cancellation charges are assessed. If program is canceled by IP, all fees will be refunded.

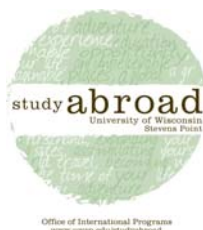


**Lodging and Travel:** Most overnight's are in hotels, lodges and medium end eco-resorts. There is tent camping for at least 3 nights and a host family stay in a small village may be included. Expect to participate and interact with up to 25 other students, adjust to a busy pace, be flexible, and take in wonderful sights, sounds, smells.

Travel will be by bus and boat. Most parks and reserves are best seen by foot on hiking trails up to 12 kilometers in length and of various terrain (hilly, muddy, rocky). Wading to boats may be a necessity. **Good physical condition is highly recommended.**

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**Important Note:** International Programs reserves the right to cancel, surcharge, or to alter the program due to the exchange rate and airline price fluctuation.



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