

# Summer Intersession Study Abroad in Ecuador May 20-June 2, 2019

## Application deadline: February 1, 2019

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(3-6 credit hours) You may take one or two courses from the following:  
English 465: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction or English 799: Independent Study in English  
Biology 495: Special Topics in Biology (science without a lab)  
Geography 490: Problems in Geography, Environment, and Development  
Geography 790: Problems in Geography, Environment, and Development

## Itinerary

### 2 days in Quito

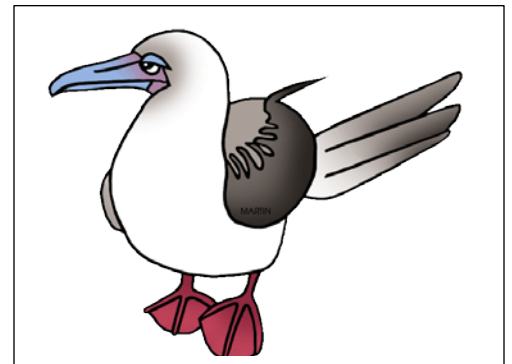
- Visit to old colonial city center & cathedrals
- Lectures at Universidad de San Francisco de Quito

### 1 day in the Antisana high grassland region of the Andes

- Visit to various altitudes
- Views of snow-capped volcanoes

### 4 days on San Cristóbal Island, the Galápagos

- Visit to El Junco crater lake
- Snorkeling in various locations
- Visits to nesting bird colonies
- Visit to giant tortoise breeding program facility
- Boat excursions to Española Island, Kicker Rock



### 3 days at Tiputini Biodiversity Station in Amazonian Rainforest

- Rafting on Tiputini River
- Birdwatching from observation tower
- Lectures on biodiversity, camera trap projects, & oil and gas extraction development

In English 465 or 799, you'll study travel writing, personal essay, and nature/science writing, or for graduate students, you'll design an independent study in creative writing or environmental literature. Readings will be available through Canvas (no textbook purchase required); we will read and discuss these prior to the trip and during our travel. In Ecuador you'll have assignments to do for both biology and English coursework, but most of your graded work in English will be completed once we are back in the US. Throughout June you'll write, workshop, and revise two creative nonfiction essays, relying on Canvas and Zoom (you do not need to be on campus). Trip cost: approximately \$4998, including airfare, all lodging, most meals. Tuition not included.

## **There are scholarships and grants to apply for!**

### **Rebecca and Aaron Graham Scholarship for International Education and Understanding**

Brand new scholarship available through the College of Arts & Sciences OCT 1 DEADLINE!!!  
\$2500 for travel abroad

<https://artsci.k-state.edu/about/diversity/students/GrahamScholarshipApp2018.pdf>

### **Study Abroad Office**

<http://www.k-state.edu/abroad/current-students/funding/scholarships.html>

Dozens of scholarships are available; the amount of award varies MARCH 15 DEADLINE

### **College of Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Research Awards / Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Inquiry**

For advanced work (English 799) Support up to \$1000 APRIL 15 DEADLINE  
<http://www.k-state.edu/undergradresearch/opportunities/Grant%20Awards.html>

### **Graduate School**

Research grants up to \$1000

<http://www.k-state.edu/grad/financing/ahss/index.html>

