

Why study in Ecuador & The Galapagos?

Ecuador offers a level of environmental and cultural diversity that is unique among nations. Within a country roughly the size of Minnesota, students will experience environments ranging from tropical jungle to high alpine glacier, and communities that range from the highly traditional to the rapidly modernizing. There are few places worldwide where the core themes of this course can be explored across such a range of settings in such a compact, easy to navigate space.



About the Instructor:



Jeff La Frenierre is an Assistant Professor in Geology and Environmental studies at Gustavus. As a geologist, Jeff is fascinated by environmental change in mountain landscapes and has done much of his research in the Ecuadorian Andes.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Accessing Studio Abroad

To access the Studio Abroad site, go to <http://gustavus.studioabroad.com/>. This will take you to the Gustavus home page of the Studio Abroad site.

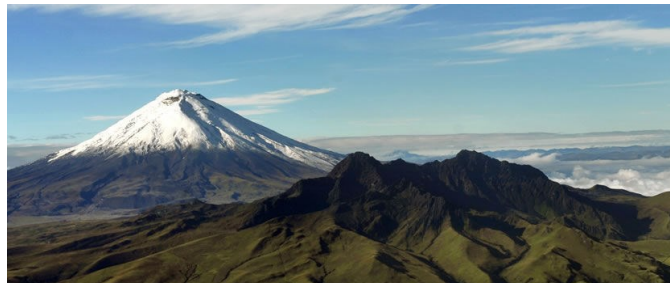
What is on Studio Abroad?

You can view the January Interim 2016 courses by clicking "Programs" on the top navigation bar. (these will be available in February 2015) If you want to see a list of only the January Interim courses, select "January Interim" from the drop-down menu labeled "Term." If you want to search for a specific program, enter the title beneath the "Program Name" from the drop-down menu. **Priority applications will be available and open on Studio Abroad beginning April 1, 2015 to April 15, 2015.** You may apply for Gustavus programs until **July 31, 2015.**

How to apply in April 2015?

First, locate your program. Once you find it, click the "Apply Now" button and follow the instructions on the subsequent screens. Once you get to your application "home page" you will then need to read, submit, and return a variety of other pieces, all of which will be laid out on your home page. Some of these items will be submitted electronically, some still need to be submitted via paper directly to the CICE (i.e. receipt for fees). Read all of the information and instructions carefully

For Gustavus programs, this will be the only application you need to complete. If you are applying to a program through Hamline, UMAIE, or HECUA, this is only the application for Gustavus approval and does not constitute approval or acceptance into the specific study abroad program. You will receive instructions and a link to apply



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About the Course

Within a compact area only slightly larger than Minnesota, Ecuador offers landscape diversity ranging from semi-desert tropical islands to the icy slopes of some of the highest volcanoes on earth and social diversity ranging from the rapidly modernizing to the resolutely traditional. In this course, we will study the factors that influence ecological and cultural diversity and explore the tight interlinkages that exist between social and environmental systems in this rapidly evolving landscape. Activities include quantitative and qualitative data collection, group discussion, interviews of indigenous community



Course Information

Instructors: Jeff La Frenierre and Joel Carlin

Enrollment: 20 students

Cost: TBD, estimates late March 2015

Tentative Dates: January 4-29, 2016

Deadlines:

Applications available: April 1, 2013

Early applications due: April 15, 2013

Last day to apply: July 31, 2013



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Travel Sites:

- **Quinto, Ecuador:** Visit Centro Historico and Rucu Pichincha
- **Banos, Ecuador:** Visit Tungurahua Volcano Observatory and Sangay National Park.
- **Riobamba and Volcan Chimborazo:** Visit Laguna Attilo, San Andreas Parroquia, Las Abras Canal, and Hans Meyer Glacier.
- **Cotopaxi National Park:** Discuss glaciers and ecotourism.
- **Galapagos Islands:** Participants will

