

BIO 247

Jterm2020 Course Eval

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Q4 - The course I took was

#	Field	Choice Count
1	Biology 247: Subtropical and Marine Biology	6

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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	The course I took was	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	6

Q32 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to the portion of the program Prior to Departure

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	The application process was straightforward and clear.	0	0	0	4	2	6
2	I received sufficient information from the Center for Global Learning to navigate the process from acceptance to my actual departure.	0	0	0	3	3	6
3	The Center for Global Learning pre-departure orientation (the large group session in Valders 206) prepared me for my off-campus course (leave blank if you participated in a domestic program).	0	0	0	4	2	6
4	The pre-departure session(s) conducted by my program leader(s) prepared me for my off-campus course.	0	1	0	3	2	6

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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	The application process was straightforward and clear.	4.00	5.00	4.33	0.47	0.22	6
2	I received sufficient information from the Center for Global Learning to navigate the process from acceptance to my actual departure.	4.00	5.00	4.50	0.50	0.25	6
3	The Center for Global Learning pre-departure orientation (the large group session in Valders 206) prepared me for my off-campus course (leave blank if you participated in a domestic program).	4.00	5.00	4.33	0.47	0.22	6
4	The pre-departure session(s) conducted by my program leader(s) prepared me for my off-campus course.	2.00	5.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	6

Q37 - Please reflect on the pre-departure preparations. Are there topics that were not covered in your pre-departure preparations that you would have liked the CGL staff/program leaders to cover?

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everything was fine

I liked the pre-departure meetings from the CGL staff, but the pre-departure meetings with the program leaders didn't give us much information on what the plan was or how things were going to work, so we were all confused until the day we left.

No, all topics were covered well.

Not that I can think of. You need to be there to fully know what it will be like, but our preparations were very helpful.

I think the pre-departure preparations fully encompassed everything we needed to know before going to a foreign country and what we need to do to prepare and what to check on and be aware of when we get there. I do not believe anything needs to change or be added to the preparations.

Q38 - With respect to packing, what do you wish you had brought with you? What do you wish you had left behind?

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over packed but better to have things and not need them than need them and not have them

I wish I would have brought tank tops and not just t-shirts. I wish I would have left my hat behind because I didn't need it and that I hadn't bought a wetsuit which was on our packing list but apparently we only needed the rash guards.

I felt like I had everything I needed packing, it was really nice that we could do laundry otherwise I wouldn't have had enough clothes.

I had everything I needed, but I maybe could have brought two weeks of clothes so dint need to wash, as well as work out clothes. I wish didn't bring towels because those were provided by the resort.

I think I did a good job of packing and there was nothing that I had wished I brought with and nothing that I wished I had not brought.

I wish I would have packed a smaller day backpack or bag to carry my day's needs.

Q39 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to the Off-Campus Program

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	There was a strong connection between the course content and the program location(s).	0	0	0	0	6	6
2	The amount of time allocated to structured "class time," group experiential learning, and free time was balanced.	1	3	2	0	0	6

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1	There was a strong connection between the course content and the program location(s).	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6
2	The amount of time allocated to structured "class time," group experiential learning, and free time was balanced.	1.00	3.00	2.17	0.69	0.47	6

Q40 - Please provide further comment on your answers above, as desired.

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90% of our time was spent learning and class work and researching. There was only a couple of hours that resulted in free time that was not after 8pm. I loved the fact we spent so much time in the water scuba diving. But also remember that we want to experience this J-term trip to its most potential.

I believe that this was the perfect location for this course to take place. It felt like while we were down there we hardly had any free time because lectures kept being added to our schedule and we kept adding different activities that by the time we weren't doing anything as a group we had to be working on either a reading or doing our daily journals. It felt like we didn't actually get a lot of free time outside of class and working on class material.

We didn't really have any free time which would have been nice since we were in such a cool place. I felt stressed sometimes with the amount of work we had while there.

The resort was a dive resort and offered amazing dive sites and diving for us to fully learn organisms underwater. They were very professional with a nice facility. However, this kept us busy for the majority of the day, leaving on a few hours at night for free time.

I believe there was an unbalanced amount of coursework and free time- it would have been nice to have a couple more hours of free time per week to just relax and let my mind rest.

The time of class time and experiential learning vs free time did not seem as balanced as I would have liked or need. There were often days that felt that we had no free time and felt very overwhelmed by the amount that was packed into a single day.

Q41 - Tell about an experience that enhanced your understanding of yourself or changed you.

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An accident occurred that resulted in me not being able to dive for a couple of days. I then was able to meet a variety of people while the class was gone and made connections and friends and influenced the life of a man that had a son that was diabetic.

I believe that just going down and scuba diving which is way out of my comfort zone enhanced my understanding of myself and made me realize that I can do the things that scare me and I can overcome my fears.

The whole experience really enhanced my understanding since we were diving so much I was able to be really immersed in what we were studying.

I was able to scuba dive at least once every day on this trip, and before this trip I had only scuba dived a few times and had bad experiences with equalizing my ear pressure while descending which made me nervous about taking this class, but now I feel fully confident and relaxed jumping in the water to learn after repetitively doing dives for two weeks. There were a few others on the trip that had trouble equalizing, but the professors adjusted dive site locations in order for them to just snorkel on the surface and this was something that made me understand that we would not miss out if we couldn't scuba dive.

The entire experience of SCUBA diving changed me because it is a truly amazing experience to be able to breathe underwater and get to see and experience how marine organisms live instead of just hearing about it in lectures. It made me reaffirm my wish to be a marine biologist and become even more excited for my future.

Scuba diving and seeing all the life underwater really helped me appreciate all that this world is and helped me realize that I am apart of something much grander than myself.

Q42 - Tell about an experience that enhanced your understanding of the location(s) where you studied.

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going to the pharmacy and learning what its like to live as a local

I believe that the night where we went to visit the other Luther group in Roatan enhanced my understanding of the location where we studied because it allowed me to see the part of Roatan that wasn't a resort and wasn't created to look like nothing else on the island.

Going to Maya Key was really interesting and gave more background as to the history of the island.

We visited a botanical garden on the island, and we saw lots of trees that were labeled and it really opened my eyes to all the native fruits that grow in this region. We saw cacao trees, banana tress, coffee trees, and a whole bunch more.

Just driving through the cities made me realize how much it seems that Honduras only cares about taking the money from tourism from Roatan instead of using it to help the less fortunate.

Driving around the island to get to different docks and the airport helped me understand the differences in the living conditions not only to our home but also just the variety of living conditions there on the island.

Q43 - Which program field trips, excursions, museum visits, etc. did you find particularly enriching.

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we really only went scuba diving. Going to west end was mostly for tourists.

I believe that our walk through Carembola gardens was enriching because it allowed us to get out of the resort and explore while still being in nature and then going to see a beautiful view. I also believe going to West End allowed us to see the island and some of the people that live there and not just be surrounded by tourists.

I thought Maya Key was really enriching because we learned about the history and the rehabilitation programs there.

I found the scuba diving to be the most exciting and educational experience on this trip. It is a truly magical experience and I strongly encourage others to try it. However, walking the streets and seeing the locals on the sides of the road also opened to my eyes to see how different our culture is from theirs.

I believe all of the activities we did were enriching, but of course the SCUBA diving was the most enriching.

The most enriching was definitely scuba diving everyday.

Q45 - Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements pertaining to

Accommodations/Transportation/Food

#	Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
1	I was satisfied with the accommodations.	0	0	0	0	6	6
2	I was satisfied with the classroom/meeting spaces.	0	0	0	0	6	6
3	I was satisfied with the ground transportation arrangements.	0	0	0	0	6	6
4	I was satisfied with the air transportation arrangements.	0	0	0	0	6	6
5	I was satisfied with the number of group meals.	0	0	0	0	6	6
	I was satisfied with the quality of group meals.	0	0	0	0	6	6

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1	I was satisfied with the accommodations.	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6
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3	I was satisfied with the ground transportation arrangements.	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6
4	I was satisfied with the air transportation arrangements.	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6
5	I was satisfied with the number of group meals.	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6
6	I was satisfied with the quality of group meals.	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	6

Q46 - Please comment on aspects related to accommodations, transportation, and food.

Your insights will help us improve future programs.

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I believe that all of the accommodations were very good. I enjoyed being able to have three meals a day as a group because it brought us closer together along with all being crammed in vans to get places. It was a fun adventure that allowed all of us to bond with one another.

The accommodations, transportation and food were all amazing. Anthony's key did an exceptional job and I would definitely go back here.

Our resort was very nice and was incredibly beautiful and luxurious. There were nice showers, comfy beds, and friendly waiters at all our delicious there course meals.

I believe that everything was wonderful and nothing needs to be improved with the accommodations.

Anthony's Key Resort was perfect. The staff, accommodations, transportation, food, etc was better than I expected.

Q44 - How much did you personally spend on food while at the program location(s).

#	Field	Choice Count
1	<\$100	5
2	\$101-\$200	1
3	\$201-\$300	0
4	\$301-\$400	0
5	\$401-\$500	0
6	\$501-\$600	0
7	>\$601	0
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#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Total Spent	1.00	2.00	1.17	0.37	0.14	6

Q59 - What few words or phrases would you use to describe the experience to others?

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Life changing

It was the adventure of a lifetime.

fun, beautiful, exciting

This course uses scuba diving to fully show you the marine organisms around Roatan, Honduras.

An other worldly experience. An eye-opening experience.

An experience that helps open your eyes to the diversity of life under the sea.

Q58 - Would you recommend this program to others? Why or why not?

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Yes, atough we were bust from 7am-8pm every day while in Roatan, I learned so much of the ocean even though I came into the class already knowing a lot. It is an unforgettable trip that will always be remembered.

Yes because I felt like I got to know people I otherwise would have never known and I was able to broaden my horizons and do something that I otherwise never would have done and it was one of the best experiences of my life.

yes, it was a great opportunity and I really learned a lot about marine biology.

Yes, this program was so much fun, and was defiantly the best class I have ever taken. The professors made learning the organisms fun, and recognizing a fish or coral underwater was highly satisfying. The course also shows you first hand why coral reefs are important for biodiversity.

I would 100% recommend this program to others, especially if they are interested in marine biology, because it was such an amazing experience to be able to swim and breathe with organisms that you normally can't and see them in their natural habitat instead of behind glass.

Yes, because I learned a great deal and truly enjoyed everything about this trip.

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