# **AMAZON RAINFOREST WORKSHOP**

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**JULY 11-20, 2014 door-to-door** 







Global Issues – Tropical Rainforest Cultures and Conservation – an immersion summer field course to embrace global issues for NCSU undergraduates and graduate students.

Ever wanted to experience a developing country? or a tropical rain forest? or solve global challenges that are confronting cultures and landscapes around the world? This short, summer field course touches on ecology, economics, culture, politics, sciences, and Spanish. It is an eye-opening introduction to the environmental and cultural aspects of the Amazon Rainforest and river system in the Amazon basin of Northern Peru. Field experiences include:

- ❖ Work side-by-side with scientists in of one of the most biologically diverse environments on the planet.
- ❖ Ascend over 115 feet on a 1/4-mile Rainforest Canopy Walkway, one of the few of its kind in the New World.
- ❖ Interact with indigenous people and see how they use the forest for medicine, food, and shelter.
- Contribute to a Community Service Project to benefit people who live in a village along the Amazon River.
- Use hand lenses, binoculars, maps, taxonomic keys for identification, and simple field equipment with the help of our experienced Naturalist Guides to learn about:

Insect Camouflage & Mimicry • Neotropical Butterflies • Rainforest Canopy Research • Reptiles and Amphibians Medicinal Plants • Orchids & Bromeliads • Amazon River System • Neotropical Birds & Migration

# **EXPEDITION AT A GLANCE**

Amazon Options Every Day − Birding by Boat or Walking • Night Hike or Boating to see Stars or Night Creatures

Day 1 - USA / Lima

### Day 2 - Lima / Iquitos / Explorama Lodge

- A.M. flight to Iquitos, Visit the City Market, Boat to Explorama
- P.M. Exploration hike on the Bushmaster Trail

## Day 3 – Explorama Lodge

- A.M. Amazon Culture & Craft Fair
- P.M. Yagua Trading & Amazon Clinic Visit

# Day 4 – ExplorNapo Lodge

• P.M Visit ReNuPeRu Ethnobotanical Garden

## Day 5 - Napo Lodge / Amazon Conservatory of Tropical Studies

• A.M. / P.M. Village Service Project or Research at ACTS

# Day 6/7 – Amazon Conservatory of Tropical Studies (ACTS)

• Research at ACTS Canopy Walkway • Rainforest Explorations

### Day 8 - ACTS / Ceiba Tops Resort

- A.M. Visit Black Water Lake Return by boat in search of dolphins
- P.M. Transfer by Boat to Ceiba Tops Resort Closing Ceremonies

# Day 9 - Ceiba Tops Resort / Lima / U.S.A

• A.M. Visit Monkey Island & Giant Ceiba Tree • P.M. By Boat to Iquitos for Flight to Lima and return home or ext. to the Galapagos.



Workshop cost is \$2035 land, plus in-country air ~\$325 and int'l air roundtrip Lima (or save on direct flights to Iquitos, Peru). Contact: Christa Dillabaugh, <a href="mailto:christa@amazonworkshops.com">christa@amazonworkshops.com</a> 1-800-431-2624. Space is limited, so register early! Amazon Rainforest Workshops are hosted by EcoTeach, PO Box 604, Poulsbo, WA 98370. For general information see the website (case sensitive) <a href="http://www.amazonworkshops.com/2014/canopymeg/">http://www.amazonworkshops.com/2014/canopymeg/</a>