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Sustainable Development & Conservation in Costa Rica Summer 2014 Study Abroad Application

Personal Information

Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)			UMBC Student ID (for example: XX0000) Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male		
Mailing Address			Permanent Address		
City	State	Zip	City	State	Zip
Local or Mobile Telephone			Permanent Telephone		
Date of Birth			Country of Citizenship		
UMBC E-mail			May the UMBC Study Abroad Office release your name and e-mail to other program participants? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

I learned about this program through: _____

Ethnic heritage (U.S. citizens and permanent residents only): Your response is completely voluntary and will not affect consideration for any program. This information is gathered for statistical purposes only.

- African American
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Caucasian
- Hispanic
- Multiracial
- Native American or Alaskan Native

Key Dates

- Application Deadline: Complete applications must be submitted to Admin 222/223 by **March 10, 2014** for consideration for the program. There is a limit of 16 participants. Early application is strongly recommended.
- After notification of selection, participants must confirm their placement in the program and agree to full financial responsibility to the program in writing by **March 21, 2014**.
- Second deposit installment of \$1,500 is due **April 20, 2014**.
- Final installment of no more than \$649 (depending on enrollment) is due **May 20, 2014**.

Emergency Contact Information

Parent's Name			Parent's Name		
Parent's Address			Parent's Address		
City	State	Zip	City	State	Zip
Parent's Home Telephone			Parent's Home Telephone		
Parent's Work Telephone			Parent's Work Telephone		
May we contact this person in case of emergency? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			May we contact this person in case of emergency? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Academic Information

Major/Minor	Academic Advisor
Current Status <input type="checkbox"/> FR <input type="checkbox"/> SO <input type="checkbox"/> JR <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> GRAD	Status When Overseas <input type="checkbox"/> FR <input type="checkbox"/> SO <input type="checkbox"/> JR <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> GRAD
Anticipated Graduation Date	Current GPA
Are you receiving or have you applied for financial aid through the UMBC Financial Aid Office? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Do you currently receive any scholarships, either through UMBC or an outside source? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If yes, which kind of financial aid or scholarships?	
Has disciplinary action been initiated or taken against you at UMBC? <i>If yes, please attach a statement describing the incident and its resolution.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

I realize that without approval from my academic advisor or the representative of the UMBC Registrar, courses taken overseas may not be applicable to my degree program. I accept full responsibility for my registration under this condition. I have read and understood the conditions of this application. I hereby certify that the information given above is complete and accurate. If not, I understand that cancellation of admission may result. I have read the program information provided and have noted the key dates as described above and on the website ges.umbc.edu/costarica-fieldcourse. I understand that I may be disqualified if I do not meet all listed deadlines.

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If you are under the age of 18, the signature of your parent or legal guardian is required.

Signature of Applicant	Date
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date



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Sustainable Development & Conservation in Costa Rica Summer 2014 Study Abroad Application Instructions

Congratulations on your decision to study abroad! You are about to undertake a life-changing experience, and the Department of Geography and Environmental Systems (GES) and the UMBC Study Abroad Office (UMBC SAO, for short) wants to do all that it can to help you prepare for your time overseas.

Your first step in participating in the Sustainable Development and Conservation in Costa Rica Summer 2014 Study Abroad Program is submitting an application. Please read the application instructions carefully. As part of the application procedure, we require you to submit the following pieces of information:

- ❑ The attached completed Sustainable Development and Conservation in Costa Rica Summer 2014 Study Abroad Program Application Form.
- ❑ A ~1-page statement that explains your reasons for wanting to travel and study in Costa Rica and how participating in this particular program will relate to your academic and personal goals. Please include any relevant information related to: previous international experience, level of comfort in speaking Spanish, and any other skills or interests/experience you feel you could bring to this field course.
- ❑ The name and contact information of a professor, teaching assistant or academic advisor familiar with you and your academic work.
- ❑ An unofficial copy of your college transcript for each college or university you have attended.
- ❑ Provide a copy of the biographical information page of your passport. If you do not already have a passport, apply now. Make sure your current passport will be valid for at least 6 months after the end date of the program. If you are traveling on a passport other than US issued, please make sure you do not need a visa or other documentation to travel out of the country.
- ❑ **Non-refundable deposit of \$500 payable to UMBC.** Initial deposits will only be returned if the student is not accepted into the program or declines placement.

Please return this complete application to the UMBC Study Abroad Office (either Admin 222 or 223) on the 2nd floor of the Administration Building by March 10, 2014.

For additional program information, please contact Dr. Maggie Holland <mholland@umbc.edu>, the UMBC SAO <sao@umbc.edu>, or consult the webpage: ges.umbc.edu/costarica-fieldcourse.