



“What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.”

- Jane Goodall, conservationist and ethologist

Program Dates

July 18–August 8

Tuition*

Program fee:	\$4,000
CIEE Scholarship:	\$1,000
Total tuition:	\$3,000

*Tuition does not include airfare or passport fees



EXPLORE UNMATCHED BIODIVERSITY IN HABITAT-RICH COSTA RICA

From misty high-altitude cloud forests to lush rainforest to tropical coast, Costa Rica’s remarkable natural settings are home to unparalleled biodiversity. Your three-week adventure includes five nights on the edge of Corcovado National Park, where the lowland rainforest is renowned for the incredible range of wildlife that includes monkeys, tapirs, sloths, and more. You’ll also visit Chira Island in the Gulf of Nicoya and learn firsthand about marine conservation. And in Montverde, 5,000 feet about sea level, you’ll explore an ecosystem bursting with plants, mammals, amphibians, and insects. All of this and more makes Costa Rica the ideal place to learn about biodiversity, the factors that threaten it, and the latest efforts to counter those threats.

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Apply by March 15!

About NCGS and CIEE

The National Coalition of Girls' Schools (NCGS) and CIEE: Council on International Educational Exchange, world leader in international and educational exchange, are working together to provide students with access to transformative study-abroad experiences. CIEE has pledged to support the vision and goals of NCGS and its member schools with grants for student scholarships and professional development for faculty.

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With CIEE Global Navigator High School Programs, you can participate in Language & Culture, Service & Leadership, and Global Discovery programs in 22 destinations. Are you ready to embark on the adventure of a lifetime?

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Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Valparaiso, Chile
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Nanjing, China
Tokyo, Japan
Beijing, China
Khon Kaen, Thailand

Africa & Middle East

Gaborone, Botswana
Iringa, Tanzania
Rabat, Morocco
Legon, Ghana
Cape Town, South Africa

North America

Portland, Maine, United States

What you'll learn:

- The origins, maintenance, and extinction of biodiversity
- How to distinguish key species plus their natural history in a variety of ecosystems
- How to discern forest structure and recognize key ecosystem functions
- What drives biodiversity loss
- All about conservation efforts to stem biodiversity loss
- Informal survival Spanish

What you'll see and do:

- Explore urbanization in the capital city, San Jose
- Visit a high-altitude paramo habitat on your way to mangrove forests
- Travel to Chira Island and learn how locals regulate fishing to preserve biodiversity
- See geothermal, wind, and hydroelectric projects in action
- Look for humpback whales as you cruise the Pacific Ocean off of Corcovado National Park
- Horseback riding on the slopes of Rincon de la Vieja volcano
- Snorkeling around Caño Island in Costa Rica's South Pacific
- Play soccer with local peers from the Chira Island community
- Learn how to fish like a local
- Participate in community service at a Costa Rican school

Explore with peace of mind

- 24/7 support from your program leader
- In-country support from CIEE staff members



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