Tentative March 2012 Itinerary

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1&7. Bagaces
2. Lomas Barbudal Biological Reserve
3. UGA Ecolodge San Luis
4. Monteverde Cloud Forest
5. Ferry
6. Ecolodge San Miguel (Cabo Blanco)

Hotel room in Bagaces
- Basic but safe and clean
- Hot water, flush toilets, AC
Bagaces: Authentic Costa Rica – no tourists

Tropical dry forest at Lomas Barbudal
- Snorkel the freshwater Rio Cabuyo for cichlids, tetras and livebearers (fish)
University of Georgia, Athens Field Station
Ecolodge San Luis
Cloud Forest

Student dorms at Ecolodge San Luis
Dining hall at Ecolodge San Luis
- Friendly cooking staff
- Great Food!!
Monteverde Cloud Forest

Ferry at Puntarenas that crosses the Bay of Tempisque over to the Nicoya Peninsula
Ecolodge San Miguel at Cabo Blanco absolute reserve.
- Tropical humid forest
- Tide pooling
- Snorkeling
- Another friendly cooking staff and great food

Dorm at Ecolodge San Miguel. Students sleep outside to beat the heat.
Spectacular waterfalls near Bagaces.

Costs (on top of 3 cr of tuition)

- Flat rate of $2400 (financial aid available) that includes:
  - Airfare
  - All transportation by microbus within Costa Rica
  - Ferry fare
  - Accommodations at Hotel / Ecolodges
  - All food at Ecolodges
  - Entrance fees into parks

- Does not include (about $200, from ATM in Bagaces)
  - Food while in Bagaces at beginning and end of trip
  - Spending money in Santa Elena, Puntarenas

- $200 deposit due Nov 22
- Full amount (non-refundable) due in late January
Bio 335: Tropical Field Ecology

- You must be enrolled in Bio 335: Tropical Field Ecology at Minnesota State University, Moorhead (MSUM)
- 3 credits, Area 10
- On campus at MSUM, the class meets weekly
- Off campus students complete the course online
- **Online course**
  - Same course materials and requirements
  - On D2L
  - Requirements include readings, quizzes, final project presentation
  - Classes begin Jan. 9th
  - All course work is completed by the end of the trip EXCEPT the final project which is presented after the trip