

K-State First Study Abroad CAT Community

• • • **Study Abroad CAT Communities** provide a dynamic, global learning experience for K-State students from the start of their college experience. As part of a CAT Community, 22 first-year students take a group of classes together during the fall semester. In a Study Abroad CAT Community, students also travel abroad over winter break for an international service-learning adventure.

Check out this 2013 Study Abroad CAT Community!

**Spanish in Action
Study Abroad: Costa Rica**

**Professor: Laura Kanost
Prerequisites: Placement into Spanish IV**

• • • *The Spanish in Action CAT Community links the study and practice of service learning with a special section of Spanish IV, culminating in a 10-day service-learning immersion adventure in Costa Rica. While abroad, students will live with host families and participate in a service-learning project to address a community identified need. Additional activities include dancing and cooking lessons, an excursion to San José, and visits to Poás volcano, a cloud forest and a beach.*

• • • **Scholarships available:** Students in a Study Abroad CAT Community are eligible to receive scholarships to help fund their travel. To receive these scholarships, students must have at least a 2.5 GPA upon completion of their first semester at Kansas State University. (In some limited circumstances, students with GPAs under 2.5 may also receive a scholarship upon the recommendation of the learning community instructor and the director of K-State First. Students with GPAs below 2.0 will not be considered for Study Abroad CAT Community scholarships.) Student participants who are Pell Grant-eligible will each receive a scholarship of \$2,500. Students who qualify for federal financial aid will each receive a scholarship of \$2,000. Students who are not eligible for financial aid will receive a \$700 scholarship.

• • • **Interested in joining this CAT Community?** Email us at kstatefirst@k-state.edu. We will connect you with Dr. Kanost, who can arrange for you to take the language proficiency exam administered to all incoming language students during June Orientation and Enrollment. We will enroll you in the CAT Community following professor approval.

Courses:

MLANG 398 Intermediate Spanish in the Community, section B (16521)
MWF 8:30-9:20 a.m. and F 9:30-10:20 a.m. (4 hours) – Angélique Courbou and Laura Kanost
EH 001 and EH 101

MLANG 398 Intermediate Spanish: Costa Rica, section ZA (16919)
By appointment, taken over the intersession in Costa Rica (1 hour) – Laura Kanost

LEAD 212 Introduction to Leadership Concepts, section D (11520)
W 11:30 a.m.-1:20 p.m. (2 hours) – Michael Finnegan
LSP 114

Trip Dates: Jan. 7-17, 2014

Total cost of trip: \$3,523

Flight and travel arrangements will be made by the faculty member. Other travel details will be covered in pre-trip meetings during the fall semester.



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