



Costa Rica Learning Cooperative Heredia, Costa Rica

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(summer session III)

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TO THE STUDENT:

Complete this application and either hand deliver it or send it via campus mail to any of the three program faculty shown above. You may also turn it in to the Education Abroad Office, Peck Hall #207. **It must be received in hard copy** (no faxes or scans).

APPLICATION CHECKLIST (all boxes should be checked before you turn in the application):

- ☐ Overall GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of the application.
- ☐ Pre-approved for study abroad by the Office of Education Abroad.
- ☐ \$500 deposit paid or will be paid the same day as you turn in your application.
- ☐ Leave nothing on this application blank (exception: you may leave passport information blank if you don't yet have a passport).
- ☐ Attach your essays.
- ☐ Read the statements on page 3 and initial each box to show your acknowledgment.
- ☐ Sign and date the application at the bottom of page 3.

Full name precisely as it appears on your passport (if you don't have a passport yet, enter your full legal name):		
<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>
Call me (nickname):	Gender:	Nationality:
Passport country:	Passport number:	Passport expiration date:
MTSU M#:	City, state, country of birth:	Date of birth:

Class rank:	Major/minor:	Overall GPA [will be verified]:
<input type="checkbox"/> FR <input type="checkbox"/> SO <input type="checkbox"/> JR <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> GRD		
MTSU email address:	Cell phone #:	Alternate phone #:
Current mailing address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Do you smoke?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<p>This program has two travel options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group travel – travel with other faculty and students to and from Costa Rica (Nashville–San José–Nashville); all flight arrangements will be made for you. • Travel separately – book your own flights to and from Costa Rica following guidelines given to you by the program director. <p>Unless you have a compelling reason to travel separately, <u>GROUP TRAVEL</u> is recommended. Please indicate your preference below:</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel separately	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sure yet

Course offering (check the box to confirm):
<input type="checkbox"/> SPAN 3990/5990
<p>Spanish Culture and Conversation with Dr. Morris</p> <p>Prerequisites: SPAN 2020 or permission of instructor.</p>

<p>Short essays. Please answer both of the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Recommended length per essay: 80-120 words.</p>
<p>1. The Costa Rica program is a learning cooperative. Students and faculty work together to explore Costa Rica not only as it relates to their own academic field or personal interests, but also as a team of individuals who pose questions about the world and seek deeper meanings in their interactions with cultural surroundings. What can you bring to this cooperative?</p>
<p>2. Specifically, how will your participation in the Costa Rica program benefit you academically and/or personally?</p>

Please initial each box below to indicate your acknowledgment of and agreement with each statement.	
INITIALS	I understand that I need a valid passport to participate in this program. I understand that processing times take up to six (6) weeks. I agree to have a valid passport in hand no later than February 1, 2018. I understand that certain program arrangements cannot be made without my passport information.
	I understand that I must be pre-approved to study abroad by the Office of Education Abroad, and that pre-approval should take place BEFORE submitting this application.
	I understand that I must make payments directly to the university, either at the MTSU Business Office window (2 nd floor of One Stop Building), or via an online portal that will be provided. I will need the program account number (to be provided via email) every time I make a payment. Program faculty or department staff cannot handle or deliver payments on my behalf.
	I understand that once I submit my application, it will not be accepted for consideration until my \$500 deposit has been logged by the MTSU Business Office.
	I understand that once I pay my \$500 deposit, it will ONLY be refunded to me in the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if I am not admitted to the program; or • if the program is canceled due to insufficient enrollment; or • if a U.S. State Department travel advisory is issued for the destination country; or • if MTSU sees fit to cancel the program for some other reason.
	I understand that if I withdraw my application at any time after submitting it, I forfeit my \$500 deposit as well as any other monies I may have paid toward the program cost so far.
	I understand that the cost of the program without airfare is \$2200. Payments are due on the following schedule. Advance payment and payment in full are welcome at any time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec. 4, 2017 - \$500 deposit • Feb. 1, 2018 - \$1000 partial payment • Mar. 1, 2018 - \$700 balance
	I understand that failure to make any payment on time will be interpreted as my voluntary withdrawal from the program, in which case I may be dropped from the program without being reimbursed for any monies I have paid so far.
	I understand that if I am applying financial aid or a scholarship and these funds are not available before a certain payment deadline, it is my responsibility to seek alternative funding sources to complete payment in a timely manner.
	I understand that there are two travel options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GROUP TRAVEL - travel with other MTSU faculty and students to and from Costa Rica (Nashville-San José-Nashville); all flight arrangements will be made for you. • TRAVEL SEPARATELY - book your own flights to and from Costa Rica following guidelines given to you by the program director. I understand that I must not make arrangements to travel separately without first consulting the program director, and I accept any penalties or fees charged to me by the airline if I make my own travel arrangements incorrectly and am required to change them.
	I understand that the notification date for this application is December 11, 2017. I will be notified of my admission or non-admission to the program on or before that date. If I am admitted, my deposit will be applied toward my program cost. If I am not admitted, my deposit will be refunded to me.

You will receive a copy of the above information via email.

Signature:	Date:
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