

# PANAMA

## Comparative Studies in Panamanian & U.S. Agricultural Practices Spring Break 2021



### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

During this trip, students will engage in learning experiences that explore the history, culture and agriculture of Panama. Students will have the opportunity to visit and learn from owners of successful livestock operations (dairy, stocker cattle, poultry, and equine), producers of agricultural staples (fruit, pineapple, sugarcane, coffee, and coconuts), and University of Panama faculty. Students will travel by boat for a guided tour of islands in Lake Gatun which feeds the Panama Canal, see native species of animals including lizards, monkeys, sloths, capybaras, crocodiles, and birds, visit the cloud forest, watch large ships travel through the Panama Canal locks, and visit the Panama Canal Museum.

Program Type: Spring Break Embedded Course

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Program Application Deadline: January 22, 2021

Program Dates: March 20 - March 28, 2021\*

Program Costs: (Est.) \$2,200 + Airfare (Est.) \$1,100 + UA Tuition\*

Course Credit: ANSC 410V, AFLS 410V(H), ANSC 510V

(2 hours over spring break)

*\*Prices and travel dates to be confirmed by September 1, 2021.*



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### OPPORTUNITIES

- Go on a walking tour on the winding cobblestone streets and enjoy the colonial architecture of Panama City.
- Watch large ships experience a partial Panama Canal transit, travel through the historic locks, and visit the Panama Canal Museum.
- See native species, including crocodiles, lizards, monkeys, sloths, and birds while boating on the Panama Canal.
- Visit a pineapple plantation and see the entire process from planting to packaging.
- Visit a small-scale organic poultry farm.
- Visit beef and dairy cattle operations and a renowned horse farm.
- Tour a coffee farm.
- Choose from a number of fun activities, including horseback riding, snorkeling, zip-lining, or hiking in the cloud forest.



### MEET A PREVIOUS STUDENT



“I was able to take parts from every single class I have had on campus, from all departments, and put it to use while traveling. I was tested, encouraged, and inspired by this experience. Personally, it was an eye opening and humbling journey that will allow me to look at life in a different view.”  
~Paul Shanks, Animal Science major, 2019

To learn more about this program and apply, visit [bumpersinternational.uark.edu](http://bumpersinternational.uark.edu) or contact one of the program directors.