

Application for Barlow Immersive Anthropology Award

(This is a nice example including all needed information, but students may choose to use other formats if they wish.)

1) Basic Information:

Student Name: Sample

Faculty Advisor: Lori Sheeran

Today's Date: February 16, 2022

Program Title: Field Projects International: Field Training Program in Wildlife Biology. Los Amigos Biological Station, Peru

Program Dates: May 29th – July 3rd, 2022

Program Description and URL: This program provides in-depth field training over six weeks in both primate monitoring and data analysis. There will be extensive training in wild primate tracking via full day behavioral “follows” of tamarins, titis, and capuchins. This program also includes training on primate handling and biological sample collection and processing using on site processing kits. In addition, there is also training on data collection and analysis using various relation and spatial database systems like QGIS and Basecamp. I also intend to participate in the optional lessons in writing analytic software in R. The full program description and information can be found at: <https://fieldprojects.org/participate/wildlife-biology/>

2) Essay:

My intention is to continue my education at CWU by pursuing my master's degree this upcoming fall in the Primate Behavior program. I intend to spend my career studying the primates of the Himalayas, but I do not want to limit my cultural experiences to just one area of the world. I believe that by immersing myself in this program I will get the chance to experience a culture that my intended career path would otherwise never expose me to! In addition to the primatology field experience, this program will also provide me with the opportunity to get closer to the anthropological and cultural traditions of Peru (including the food!!). It's an area of the world that I know very little about, and that realm of the unknown excites me greatly. A chance to truly experience a culture that I otherwise would never have the opportunity to see would be a great honor to me. I have begun studying Spanish and reading up on the history of the region in order to arrive as an educated observer and attempt to show my respect by communicating as best I can in the local language. The most important thing to me when I travel is to always couple the immersive experience with a respect for the people and their culture. I have been lucky enough to experience the vast capacities for kindness and cultural diversity throughout various countries in Asia, and now I am relishing in the idea of glimpsing that amongst the people (and primates) of Peru!

3) Budget:

I am requesting the full \$2,000 towards more than \$3,250 of expenses. These include \$2,700 for the program fee and an estimated \$1,007 for airfare. These are explained in more detail below. (Note that students do not have to describe expenses for which funds are not being requested, so the airfare below could be omitted, but it is a good example and is included here. Screenshots are not required either, but they may be helpful.)

I have applied and been accepted to attend the field research program for 6 weeks. The charge for the program is \$2,250 for 5 weeks with an additional \$450 per week. This would bring my fee to \$2,700. (The reason I have elected to add an additional week is that there is a mandatory 4-5 day quarantine once arriving to the field site. In order to ensure I get the full immersive experience, I wanted to make up for that lost time by adding on an additional week of primate data collection and tracking.) Below is a screenshot from the FPI webpage with the fees circled in orange. This can also be seen by following the link provided in section 1 above.

Quick Facts

- ✈ **Start Dates:** May 29, June 19, July 10
- ✓ **Minimum Commitment:** 5 weeks (in special cases we will consider 4 weeks)
- 📍 **Location:** Los Amigos Biological Station, Peru
- 📅 **Application Deadline:** April 1, 2022
- 💰 **Program Fee:** \$2250 for 5 weeks; \$450 each additional week (includes food and lodging, transportation to the field station from Puerto Maldonado and back, training and use of field equipment).
- 🚰 **Pandemic Contingencies:** If this program is cancelled by FPI for issues beyond our control, all fees paid will be refunded, minus a 1.5% credit card processing fee.
- 🔍 **More information** in the [FAQ](#) below the program description.

My flights from Seattle to the final destination of Puerto Maldonado have an estimated cost of \$1,007 via Google Flights (see below). Field Projects International has corroborated that this is reflective of the typical price for this flight.

Round trip · 1 · Economy [Share](#)

Seattle ↔ Puerto Maldonado Total price from
\$1,007

 This airline may be offering additional flexibility for bookings. [More details](#)

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	Mon, Jul 4 · 4:40 PM – 12:25 AM ^{*2} <small>LATAM, Alaska · Operated by Latam Airlines Peru...</small>	33 hr 45 min <small>PEM-SEA</small>	2 stops <small>LIM, LAX</small>	1,194 kg CO ₂	▼

4) Funding Disclosure:

I have no other pending or approved funding for this experience.