Examining Environmental and Cultural Aspects of Fijian Society with a Focus on Ecotourism and Sustainability.

Experience a Successful Ecotourism Business Firsthand while Kayaking Down the Rapids and Swimming in a Waterfall.

Live with a Fijian family and conduct a study about village life.

Swim with manta rays and examine coral reefs as part of a study of an island resort.

About the Program
Spend 10 days traveling through the mainland of Fiji and one of its offshore islands. Observe Fiji firsthand with local field guides and UF professors with expertise in the fields related to ecotourism and sustainability. You can participate in the program on its own or add it onto the North Queensland Humans and the Environment program.

About the Location
Fiji is known for its vibrant traditional culture and spectacular natural environments. This program will take place on Vitu Levu (the main island), Nadi, the Coral Coast, and Barefoot Island, one of the Yasawa Islands.

Excursions
Excursions include snorkeling to view coral reefs, a Fijian craft market, Kula Eco Park, kayaking class II rapids with Rivers Fiji, and spending a night with a Fijian family in a village.

Housing
You will stay in a variety of lodgings, including a budget hotel, beach side bures and one night with a Fijian family.

Student Feedback
“Before studying in Fiji, sustainability was only a term to me. However, through living with a Fijian family and knowing that villagers depend solely on the natural environment for their livelihood…, I’ve started to understand being [environmentally responsible].”

Course Information
College of Health and Human Performance
Department of Tourism, Recreation, and Sport Management
Course is taught by UF Faculty and independent Fijian experts for 3 UF GPA credits

LEI 4955/LEI 6931: Sustaining Humans and their Environments
Total Number of Credits Offered: 3
2015 Pricing
Undergraduate Program Fee
standalone: $2,404
combined with UF in North Queensland: $8,922
Graduate Program Fee:
standalone: $2,652
combined with UF in North Queensland: $9,666

A $300 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is due at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 45 days prior to departure. If you receive financial aid, you can defer payment until it disburses. Deferment decision will be based on the amount of aid to be received.

What’s Included:
Tuition for 3 credits, all accommodations, in-country transportation, lectures and seminars, all field excursions and entrance fees, most meals, international health insurance, and emergency medical assistance

What’s Not Included:
Round-trip airfare, some meals, course packet, additional personal travel, and personal expenses.

Financial Aid
Most financial aid that you would receive on campus during the summer can be applied toward the cost of this study abroad program.

UFIC recommends that you speak with your financial aid advisor about your financial aid eligibility for study abroad. More information can be found at Student Financial Affairs

Scholarships
UFIC offers summer scholarships for qualified students. This year’s summer scholarship deadline is February 13, 2015

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-2.5 GPA
-Students in good standing

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