

Lansing Community College Science Department

San Juan, Puerto Rico

May 14 – 23, 2007

Preliminary Itinerary

SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2007

Evening Group arrival at *Metropolitan Detroit Hotel* in Detroit, MI
Dinner Dinner at hotel

MONDAY, MAY 14, 2007 DEPARTURE DAY

Morning (ETD 6:45) Group departure from Detroit, Michigan (wake up 4:00 a.m.)
Time (ETA 1:25) Group arrival into Luis Munoz Marin International Airport, Puerto Rico
 Pick up van at airport
Time (ETA 4:00) Transfer to El Verde Field Station for four (4) nights
Upon Arrival Group is met by Alonso Ramirez, Scientific Director of El Verde Field Station
 and Francisco Perez, El Verde Field Station Administrator
 Free time at dorm until dinner
Dinner Group dinner at the Field Station
Evening Embark on a hunt for the coqui

TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007

Breakfast At El Verde Field Station
After Breakfast Meet with Scientific Director Alonso Ramirez in the morning
Time (8:30) and meet with John Bithorn, El Verde Technician for tour of streams and sampling
Lunch Boxed lunch at stream site
After Lunch Computer analysis of data at Field Station
Dinner (6:30) Group dinner at local restaurant
Evening Night snorkel of stream pools

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2007

Breakfast At El Verde Field Station
After Breakfast Meet with Gary Horn of Los Tortugas Adventures for kayak trip to Las Cabezas Forest
 Reserve and Mangroves
Lunch Boxed lunch
Late Afternoon Lecture on Phytotelmata; hike to look for bromeliads and sample contents
Dinner (6:30) Group dinner at local restaurant

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2007

Breakfast At El Verde Field Station
After Breakfast Group travels to El Portal Tropical Forest Center for hike to waterfalls and dwarf forest
Lunch Boxed Lunch
Late Afternoon Travel back to El Verde Field Station to prepare for night kayak trip
Evening (6:15 p.m.) Meet with Gary Horne of Los Tortugas for Kayak trip to Bioluminescent Bay in Las
 Cabezas National Forest Preserve through Mangroves
Dinner (8:30 p.m.) Group dinner at Ocean View

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2007

Breakfast	At El Verde Field Station
	Check out
After Breakfast	Group travels via van to Fajardo
Time (ETD 9:00)	Ferry from Fajardo to Dewey, Culebra (1½ hrs), rent jeeps
Upon Arrival	Travel to Playa Flemenco and check in at Culebra Beach Rental
Lunch	Lunch at local restaurant (El Batey)
Afternoon	Group attends lectures by Professor Heaton; snorkel Playa Flemenco reef
Evening	Group meets with Mary Ann Lucking of CORALations for Orientation Session
Dinner (6:30)	Group dinner at local restaurant

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2007

Breakfast	At Culebra Beach Rental
After breakfast	Meet with Mary Ann Lucking from CORALations for Seagrass Ecology Session
Lunch	Boxed Lunch and siesta
Afternoon	Meet with Mary Ann Lucking from CORALations for Coastal CSI Session
Early Evening	Evening snorkel trip to Playa Flemenco
Dinner (7:00)	Group dinner at local restaurant

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2007

Breakfast	At Playa Flemenco
After breakfast	Hike to Playa Carlos Rosario to snorkel "The Wall"
Lunch	Return to CBR for boxed lunch and siesta
Afternoon	Group travels to Playa Melones for Intertidal Zone Studies
Dinner (6:30)	Group dinner at local restaurant

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2007

Breakfast	At Playa Flemenco
After breakfast	Group travels by water taxi to Island of Culebrita – study tide pools
Lunch	Boxed lunch at the tide pools
Afternoon	Group travels back to Playa Flamenco Siesta and afternoon snorkeling of nearby coral heads
Dinner	Group BBQ at Flamenco Beach (CBR BBQ)

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2007

Breakfast	At Playa Flemenco
After Lunch	Checkout
1:00 p.m.	Take ferry to Fajardo, taxi from Fajardo to San Juan for overnight Check in to <i>Hampton Inn and Suites of San Juan</i> upon arrival in San Juan
Dinner (6:00)	Tour Old San Juan and Group Dinner

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2007 RETURN DAY

Breakfast	At <i>Hampton Inn and Suites of San Juan</i>
After breakfast	Checkout
Lunch	TBA
2:20 p.m.	Arrive at Luis Munoz Marin International Airport, Puerto Rico
4:20 p.m.	Depart airport for Detroit, Michigan
11:19 p.m.	Arrive in Michigan (Detroit Metro), collect luggage, take LCC bus to Lansing