About the Galapagos Field Site

With ecosystems ranging from fertile lowlands and tropical rainforests to high-altitude peatlands to sparsely-populated volcanic islands, Ecuador offers students unparalleled field research opportunities. Students build upon coursework offered through the semester-long USFQ in Galapagos Program with an independent research project led by USFQ faculty. Recent research projects included field work in the Ecuadorian Amazon, high-altitude grasslands near Quito, and the Galapagos Islands.

The Institute for the Environment’s field site program is coordinated through the Study Abroad Office of the College of Arts and Sciences in partnership with the Curriculum for the Environment and Ecology.

Location
Galapagos Islands and the Ecuadorian mainland

Timing
January – middle of June

Coursework
Students choose a track in Marine Science Ecology, Evolution + Conservation (or) People, Politics + the Environment

Summer Research
Following coursework, students engage in a six-week research project.

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