



ACADEMIC INTERNSHIPS WITH THE MONTEVERDE INSTITUTE (MVI): MODULES AND PRICES

General Academic Module Information:

Students may choose which academic modules they would like to take during their internship, as well as decide whether or not they would like to take a Spanish course. For students who will be doing homestays, the Spanish course is strongly recommended.

Note: Five modules contribute to overall internship credits.

Modules: [est. contact hours, 15 lecture] *recommended credits, 1*

Spanish course: [est. contact hours, 45 lecture/discussion] *recommended credits, 3*

Internship, no modules: [est. contact hours, 30 lab/30 discussion] *recommended credits, 3*

Module	Est. contact hours
Monteverde History and Culture	3
Structured Decision Making Process (Overview)	3
Writing Workshops	3
Research Methodology	3
Introduction to R	3
Group Dynamics and Conflict Resolution	3
Introduction to Scientific Illustration	3
Landscape Architecture: Concepts of Sustainable Design	3
Introduction to Grant Writing	3
Medicinal Plants: Intro to Ethnobotany	3
Native Species: Local Ecology and Plant Taxonomy	3
Introduction to Information Science/Web Design	3
Introduction to Methods of Teaching College Spanish	3

Introduction to Greywater Systems	3
Introduction to Library Science	3
Concepts of Photojournalism	3
Introduction to Soils: Testing and Diagnostics	3
Introduction to Seasonality: Phenology, Seed Dispersal and Migration	3
Introduction to Biophysical Parameters and Nutritional Status	3
Introduction to Food Nutrition and Eating Habits	3
Avian Species of Monteverde	3
Introduction to ArcGIS	3
Lichenology: Introduction to Lichenized Fungi	3
Biological Corridors and Current Threats to Local Wildlife	3
Introduction to Permaculture	3
Introduction to Journalism and Community Radio	3

Recommended Team Internship modules: Students who have chosen to participate in the team internships should take these modules:

1. Monteverde History and Culture
2. Structured Decision Making Process (Overview)
3. Writing workshops
4. Group dynamics and conflict resolution
5. Research methodology
6. Introduction to the statistical package “R”

Spanish course: During the Spanish course, students will practice their speaking skills, grow their Spanish vocabularies, learn new grammatical structures, and ultimately improve their overall management of the Spanish language. In addition, students will learn more about Costa Rican culture, including food, mannerisms, sayings, traditions, and lifestyle. Past students have found that the Spanish course greatly increases their ability to communicate with their homestay families and participate in community events or lectures that are only given in Spanish.

Pricing: All internship prices include homestay fees.

Courses

Modules (5): \$750

Spanish: \$750

Modules and Spanish: \$1500

Basic internships (without modules and without Spanish); 3 credit equivalent:

4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks
\$1930	\$2610	\$3290	\$3970

Internships with 5 modules and Spanish; 7 credit equivalent:

4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks
\$3430	\$4110	\$4790	\$5470

Internships with Spanish (without modules); 6 credit equivalent:

4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks
\$2680	\$3360	\$4040	\$4720

Internships with 5 modules (without Spanish); 4 credit equivalent:

4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks
\$2680	\$3360	\$4040	\$4720

Continuing student internship: There is a \$400 discount for MVI students who have finished their semester courses with the MVI, and are interested in continuing with an internship.

Internship including home stay (30 days),
 NOT including modules and Spanish: \$1930
 Course program discount -400
 Continuing student internship charge \$1530



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