



WICHITA STATE
UNIVERSITY

Study Abroad Spotlight

Current Student



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Study Abroad Program: *Universidad Veritas
San José, Costa Rica*

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Why did you decide to study abroad?

I decided to study abroad on a sort of a whim decision. Going in to college, I knew I wanted to do something fun like study abroad, but I never thought I would be able to due to finances, my degree program (nursing), and just personal reasons. So last November I told myself I was going to do it and I wasn't going to let anything hold me back! I wanted to go on this trip for personal discovery and to learn about another culture.

How did you choose Costa Rica for your program?

I chose Costa Rica because I have recently been interested in tropical medicine. I wanted to do a program that I could bring back and use in my studies and I thought learning medical Spanish and tropical medicine was the best way to do that.

Why should other students study abroad?

Other students should study abroad because it really sets your college experience apart from the rest of your peers. It looks great on a resume (especially if you went for something related to your degree) and it really enhances your own life. I have never been out of the country on my own, dealt with customs, spoke Spanish, etc. I really jumped into this experience with no experience at all.

