

Study Abroad

Puerto Peñasco



DESCRIPTION

Ever want to be a marine biologist as a kid? Now is your chance to experience it at the Sea of Cortez (our nearest ocean experience), which has one of the best intertidal expanses in the world! Join us during a week-long adventure as we explore the upper Sea of Cortez and bordering habitats around Puerto Peñasco during this introduction to Marine Biology field course. We'll have many "hands-on" and "feet-in" experiences with marine organisms in their habitats, whether they be on sandy shores, rocky tidepools or swimming near local islands. Come immerse yourself in the wonders of the sea!

LOCATION

Puerto Peñasco, known to many North Americans as Rocky Point, is a small fishing village located on the upper Sea of Cortez (Gulf of California). Being just over 60 miles from the US border, it is often called Arizona's beach! It is also home to a sea lion breeding colony, on Isla San Jorge where we will snorkel as part of the course!



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COURSE OFFERED

BIO149AH: Field Biology: Marine Biology in Mexico (1 credit)

There are no prerequisites and no prior knowledge of Biology is necessary. This program is designed for non-majors, although Biology majors are welcome!

PROGRAM EXCURSIONS *(may vary from year to year)*

- Kayaking trip through Morua Estuary
- Guided visit to Trona salt mines
- Boat trip to Isla San Jorge to snorkel with sea lion colony *(For an additional fee, scuba diving available for those certified to dive)*

LODGING

Lodging is at the dorms at the Center for the Study of Deserts and Oceans (CEDO).

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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