

# GLBL 298: Education & Development Lumbisi, Ecuador

## A Global Studies Seminar Abroad

### Ecuador



Lumbisi!

*\*This is a 6-credit course  
with 6 weeks abroad!*



# Course overview

## **Pre-Departure**

(Spring Semester, Term B)

- Theory and Methods
- Context
- Practical Skills

## **Service Learning Abroad**

(6 weeks)

- Live with a host family
- Research education and development in Ecuador
- Run a summer day camp
- Explore Ecuador





# Course goals

## ● Communicate

- Communicate effectively in a cross-cultural context.
- Facilitate communication between Spanish and English speakers.
- Converse in Spanish.

## ● Lead

- Share your interests and expertise through teaching.
- Plan and carry out extra-curricular lessons for children.
- Lead group activities and manage personnel.





# Course goals

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## ● Professionalize

- Negotiate and respond quickly to directions from supervisors and co-workers.
- Professionally discuss and apply feedback on your work.
- Adapt to continually changing needs and circumstances in an unfamiliar context.
- Articulate your professional goal using concrete examples and experiences.





# Course goals

## ● Research

- Collect and critically analyze data that informs our service learning work.
- Assess your role in the development of Lumbisí.
- Discuss the complexities of collaborating with multiple actors in a foreign context.





# Assessment

| <b>COURSE COMPONENT</b>                  | <b>PRE-DEPARTURE</b>            | <b>ON-SITE</b>   | <b>% GRADE</b> |
|--|---------------------------------|--|----------------|
| <b>Class participation</b>               | 7 classes (10%)                 |  | 10%            |
| <b>Service learning self-evaluations</b> | 2 evaluations (10%)             | 5 (25%)  | 35%            |
| <b>Research</b>                          | 2 question statements (10%)     | 5 research exercises (25%)<br>1 final research portfolio (10%) | 45%            |
| <b>Reflection papers</b>                 | 1 pre-departure reflection (5%) | 1 final reflection (5%)  | 10%            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                             | 35%                             | 65%  | 100%           |



# Live in Lumbisi

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# Serve and learn



Megan teaching kids parts of the body in English.



Emily teaching the alphabet to pre-schoolers.



Lumbiseños buying and selling in English



# Serve and learn



Megan, Katina, and Rachel teaching the “cup song”



Students working on various art projects from a “holidays around the world” lesson.



Students learning merengue.



# Serve and learn



Derek and Joel demonstrating how a volcano erupts.



Children work on an environmental awareness campaign for their community.



# Serve and learn

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A daily dose of “crocodile moray”.



A game of “crab football”



# Make friends!





# Experience Ecuador and its human and natural diversity

We visited Otavalo and Mindo to learn about human and natural diversity of Ecuador.







A guided hike in Mindo.



Our transport across the rainforest.



Learning about the chocolate making process.



We even climbed  
Cotopaxi Volcano to  
around 16,000 feet!





# Learn to be a global citizen that is locally responsible



We work with the children to put on a performance and party for the elderly community in Lumbisi.





To continue with the tradition,  
we painted a wall in the school  
with the help of the children.





What are the 'tangibles' you get out of this program?



- ✓ Speak better Spanish!
- ✓ Gain leadership experience and 70+ hours of valuable community service.
- ✓ Get teaching experience.
- ✓ Advance your intercultural and teamwork skills – employers look for these qualities!
- ✓ Practice research skills.
- ✓ Earn 6 credits of GLBL 298.



# What are the 'intangibles' you get out of this program?

- ✓ Grow to love a community that is welcoming and appreciative of our service and will teach us more than we ever anticipated.



Spending time with your host family. We made our own Twister!



Making *quimbolitos*!





✓ Make *amazing* friends!



✓ Learn why education matters!





# Questions?



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