Cornell in Cuba Research Program

Engage in scientific research, improve your Spanish, and explore topics in biological sciences and Cuban studies all while living in the fascinating country of Cuba!

- Join a research group at the Department of Biology in the University of Havana for the semester
- Improve your Spanish language skills in either intermediate or advance level language and area studies courses
- Explore Havana - founded nearly 500 years ago, a strategic center of the Spanish colonial empire, and now a sprawling metropolis - a mix of European, Latin, and American influences

LOCATION
- Havana, Cuba; Pop. - 2.14 million

PARTNER INSTITUTIONS
- University of Havana, Department of Biology
- API Study Abroad

HOUSING
- Student Residence

ELIGIBILITY
- 3.0 GPA or above
- SPAN 1230 or above

PROGRAM TERMS
- Fall, Spring or Academic Year

APPLICATION DEADLINES
- March 15 - Fall/Year
- October 1 - Spring

PROGRAM COSTS
- Includes tuition, housing, some meals, activities and administrative fees
- Financial aid applies
- Personal expenses, remaining meals, travel not included

PROGRAM ADVISOR
- Stephen Capobianco

PROGRAM WEBSITE
- cuabroad.cornell.edu/?go=CUCuba

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This program is organized by Cornell in conjunction with the Department of Biology at the University of Havana and API Study Abroad, which provides logistical support.

ACADEMICS
Course work is split in half between the following sections:

Biology Research:
• Students affiliate with a research lab at the University of Havana and take the equivalent of 4 credits of research and a course in the Faculty of Biology.
• Cornell partners with the Department of Biology at the University of Havana to offer students the opportunity to engage in research in ecology, microbiology, plant physiology, or protein studies.

Spanish Language & Area Studies:
Students take 2 additional courses through the University of Havana’s courses for foreigners or regular university courses.
• Students with SPAN 1230 or above take a Spanish language class and choose an elective appropriate for intermediate-level students.
• Students who are eligible to take upper level SPAN courses choose from the Spanish and Area Studies courses as well as regular university courses.
*Language tutoring is also available.

Orientation
Students take a group flight from Miami. There is an on-site orientation led by API’s on-site resident director upon arrival in Cuba.

Housing and Meals
Students will be housed in a student residence in double rooms, sharing a bedroom and bathroom.
Breakfast and dinner will be served Monday through Saturday at the residence. On Sundays, breakfast and a late lunch will be served.

Excursions & Cultural Activities
During the program, students have the opportunity to broaden their classroom education through several organized excursions, which are included in the costs of the program. Examples include Viñales, Trinidad, Santa Clara, Cienfuegos, Oriente, Santiago de Cuba, Baracoa, Varadero.
Students also enjoy monthly social & cultural activities designed to enhance their classroom studies.

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