

CHCA Intercession 2022

January 4-15, 2022

Course Description for: *Survivor: Cayo Costa*

Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Grantham, Mr. Aaron Turvey, TBD female chaperone	
Course Type: Non-Continental US Overnight	Service Hours: 5
Maximum enrollment: 22	Minimum enrollment: 10
Length of trip (if applicable): 12 days	11 nights
Cost: \$ 1750	

Overview: Students will experience the mystery, beauty, and ruggedness of the Island through camping and multiple outdoor activities. A heavy emphasis of this trip will be learning about marine biology and pristine ecosystem with an additional emphasis on tribe competitions, aquatic and fishing skills.

Course Goals: This experience will introduce students to several aspects of the Natural World. Students will learn about the many species of land and aquatic animals native to Florida and the Gulf. Every student will learn the skills necessary to camp, cook, catch and clean fish, swim, kayak, and additional survival skills.

Reading Component: Several videos and articles provided to the student

Writing Component: A Daily Journal will be required.

Grade based on: Daily participation, reading and writing component.

Description: Ever wonder what it would be like to live on a deserted island that has not changed in the past 500 years - when Pirates and Native fishermen frequented its beaches? Cayo Costa, a barrier Island west of Ft. Meyers, can only be accessed by water taxi and has no roads and electricity. It was recently declared Florida's most pristine and undisturbed island. The island is full of wildlife and marine animals. This trip will have a strong marine biology, fishing, conservation, and camping/survival emphasis. Students will kayak through mangroves and the Gulf, fish for grouper, snook, trout, and shark, go on treasure hunts, learn camping and cooking skills, and work with endangered sea turtles. Students will also study with a resident ranger and a marine biologist, covering conservation and the current ecological issues. There will also be a devotional component to the trip.

This course is well suited to: Those who like to fish, camp, kayak, and live outdoors.

Cost: \$1750.00.

Additional costs: Additional expenses will be appropriate clothes for outdoors, a fishing pole, sleeping bag, suntan lotion and bug spray.
Students will need money for meals on travel days.

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Other Information:

Course cost includes all lodging, group meals, airfare, school insurance, luggage fees, and all activities.

Families who choose for their students to travel should understand that if their student has to quarantine due to a positive Covid test, a parent will need to come to stay with the student for that period of time. A chaperone will need to stay with the student until the parent arrives, and the family will be responsible for any cost associated with changes to the chaperone's return travel plan and the cost to quarantine in that location.

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