

## **FW382 Travel Abroad- Wildlife Ecology/Conservaiton – Baja CS, Mexico**

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**PREREQUISITES:**     Permission of the instructor. Although not required, courses such as FW 260, NR 220, LIFE 220, LIFE 320, FW 455 would be useful background.

**TEXT & READINGS:** *Required readings via the web or library reserve.*

**REGISTRATION:** Registration for this class is through CSU Education Abroad:  
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**Course Objectives:** Students in this course will 1) learn about the natural history of the fish and wildlife species unique to Baja California Sur (BCS); 2) understand the wildlife management and conservation history in BCS;  
3) identify common, and contrasting, wildlife management practices between the US and BCS;  
4) Integrate wildlife ecology principles into management actions in BCS.

### Class Meetings, Field Trips, Expectations:

The class will meet the equivalent of 1 hour/week throughout fall semester in preparation for the trip to BCS. We will also meet for one class upon return. Field trips will consist of a faculty member(s) and students traveling together to Baja California Sur, Mexico, over winter break. You must attend all required field trips and classes. The only rare exceptions are for catastrophes, truly beyond your control--hospitalization, imprisonment, family death--and then I must be notified prior to the trip/meeting, unless that is truly impossible.

Assignments will generally involve background research, presentation as well as personal essays. Some assignments will be individual; others will be group-based. Late work will only be accepted within 24 hours from the due date and will be penalized 20%.

Expect quizzes to cover recent lecture, field trip, or reading material. I expect you to come to class prepared, to interact in discussions, and to ask questions.