

Faculty-Led Study Abroad
Heredia, Costa Rica
Tentative Dates: May 3rd-17th, 2026

This faculty-led study abroad trip would be with our partner institution, Intercultura, an intensive Spanish immersion school in Heredia, Costa Rica. The trip would begin following the last weekend of the spring semester in order that students could earn credits for the spring semester and be eligible for financial aid.



Montana State University Billings



May 2026



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Heredia, Costa Rica

The Intercultura language-learning school in Heredia, Costa Rica facilitates an immersive language program for students through 20 hours of classroom learning per week. At intercultura, students take Spanish classes in the morning and participate in cultural experiences in the afternoon/evening. The program offers homestays for students, thus enabling them to practice their Spanish outside of the classroom and providing breakfasts and dinners with host families. Intercultura's campus also offers free cultural activities, such as cooking classes, a dance class, and a walking tour of nearby neighborhoods. Heredia is a historic town located 6 miles north of the capital San José.

“Heredia, known as The City of Flowers, is famous for its colonial charm, world-class coffee production, and as a hub for education and sustainability in Costa Rica. Heredia's weather is breezy and pleasantly warm year-round with average temperatures of 80°F/26°C, making it the perfect climate for learning Spanish and exploring the beautiful surroundings.”-Taken from Intercultura's website



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Tentative Travel Itinerary

Sunday

Travel from Billings to Costa Rica: Juan Santa Maria International Airport (San José)

Airport pickup from homestay family

Dinner

Free time

Monday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Afternoon Heredia Walking Tour

Dinner with homestay family

Free Time

Tuesday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Afternoon Excursion—Cataratas La Paz: explore 5 magnificent waterfalls and a wildlife refuge

Dinner with homestay

Free Time

Wednesday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Optional afternoon cooking class/Free time

Dinner with homestay family

Free Time

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Thursday

Breakfast with homestay

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Latin Dancing class

Dinner with homestay family

Friday

Breakfast with host family

Spanish class

Lunch—on campus

Weekend Beach excursion

Dinner at restaurant

Free time

Spend the night at hotel

Saturday

Weekend Beach excursion

Lunch in restaurant

Dinner at restaurant

Spend the night at hotel

Sunday

Weekend beach excursion

Lunch at restaurant

Weekend beach excursion

Dinner with homestay family

Free time

Monday

Breakfast with homestay family

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Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Optional Latin dance class/Free time

Dinner with homestay family

Tuesday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on campus

Free time

Dinner with homestay family

Free time

Wednesday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Optional cooking class/Free time

Dinner with host family

Free time

Thursday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

Lunch—on your own

Free time

Dinner with homestay family

Friday

Breakfast with homestay family

Spanish class

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Lunch—on your own

Free time

Dinner—Restaurant

Free time

Saturday

Breakfast with host family

Excursion: Canopy Adventure de Barva: Zipline through the rainforest canopy

Free time

Sunday

Breakfast with homestay family

Return to Billings, Departure from Juan Santa María International Airport in San José

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