

# INTERNATIONAL BIOSPHERE STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM



**Bali, Indonesia**

**July 1-9, 2018**

The Biosphere Foundation offers a once in a lifetime experience that brings together teenagers from all over the world to the spectacular island of Bali, Indonesia. Our unique program intertwines adventure and learning to inspire young people to be intelligent stewards of our planet.



## PROGRAM



Living in the remote and breathtakingly beautiful Bali Barat National Park, international students, age 15-18, join together with local Balinese teenagers to learn first hand about Balinese culture and tradition, explore a wide variety of ecological biomes, and make friends for life.

The Bali Barat National Park is an absolute treasure, abundant with wildlife including monkeys, deer, geckos, and rare birds. It also holds a unique combination earth's ecosystems including coral reefs, rainforests, mangrove forests and savannah.

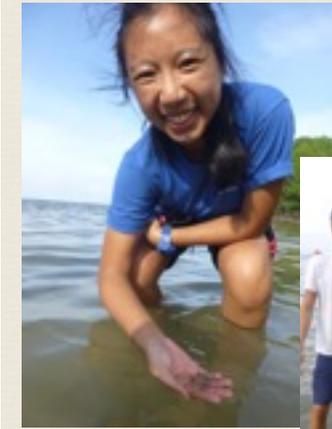
During our nine day program, students will hike in the forests, snorkel on vibrant coral reefs, and learn about key conservation issues.

**BIOSPHERE FOUNDATION**

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Participate in unique approaches to learning about our biosphere and how to care for it.
- ❖ Experience the beauty of nature.
- ❖ Discover interconnectedness and interdependence
- ❖ Learn about critical challenges to ecosystems such as climate change.
- ❖ Explore sustainable solutions.
- ❖ Join together for a series of service projects.



# WHY BIOSPHERE FOUNDATION?

Biosphere Foundation's primary goal is to inspire intelligent stewardship of our earth's biosphere. Biosphere Foundation (BF) achieves this objective by (1) implementing conservation programs which are community-based and sustainable; (2) creating educational programs that inspire people to care for the biosphere and get involved to make a difference; and (3) providing an unbiased, "trusted source" of data about the biosphere to users around the world.



SERC Research Station, Bali Barat National Park

## TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION

Students will stay in a dormitory style field station in Bali Barat National Park. The station is located in the heart of the jungle, surrounded by wildlife and lush trees.

**RATE:** \$1550 USD

The fee for the land portion of the program including meals, accommodations and airport transfers to the national park is \$1550 USD (\*not including airfare).

### FLIGHTS:

Students are required to obtain international travel/ medical insurance and should arrange flights as follows:

\* Arrive Denpasar International Airport:

July 2nd (before noon)

\* Depart Denpasar International Airport:

July 10th (after 5pm).

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### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Students build awareness about the need to preserve coral reefs and all the ecosystems of the national park, and how to take action for their protection. These efforts are viewed in a global context so students can create tools as stewardship leaders. Together, they develop concrete ways to make a difference at home through photography, social media, blogging, presentations and stewardship projects in their local communities.



### TEAM BUILDING

Students engage in team-building exercises and outdoor activities such as hiking, swimming, snorkeling and boating. They will also have the chance to build bridges of cross-cultural communication and understanding, as well as experience Balinese traditions such as ceremonies, dance and Gamelan music.



### RECONNECTING TO NATURE

Disconnecting from the "plugged in" world to reconnect with nature offers a rare opportunity for students to be present with all that surrounds them. Listening to the sounds of birds and geckos, stargazing clear night skies, and swimming in brilliant blue waters offer lasting memories and connections to new friends and to nature.

