

Official Transcript
Boston College's Global Proficiency Program

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I. International Experience

Monteverde, Costa Rica

August 2005

- Traveled through entire country including stays in San Jose, Corcovado, Arbofilia, Arenal, and Sarapiqui
- Listened to locals lecture and discuss the issues of Costa Rican politics and sustainable development
- Listened to lecture from our guides: Political Science professor Marc Landy, Law Professor David Wirth, and president of the Monteverde Conservation League, Carlos Muñoz

II. Academic Component

Major: *Biology*

Minor: *Latin American Studies*

Languages: Spanish and Italian

- Near Fluency in Spanish
- Elementary Italian

Social Science, Business, Education Courses:

- Introduction to International Politics
- Teaching Bilingual Students

Humanities Courses:

- Literary Traditions and Countertraditions
- Modern History II: Europe and the Americas
- Philosophy of World Religions
- Latin American Cinema
- Revolution and Its Aftermath in Modern Latin America and the Caribbean
- History of European Cinema
- Modern Latin American History

III. Co-curricular Activities

Activity 1: Dance Marathon for Boona-Baana

September 2002 – May 2003

- Description: Raised almost \$50,000 for an AIDS orphanage in Tanzania by organizing an event for Boston College students who volunteered to dance from 6pm to 6am
- Skills: Organized over 600 students in their various roles, motivated students to raise money for the orphanage in Tanzania showing pictures and reading letters of the children
- Time Commitment: at least 2 hours every week, much more near the event

Activity 2: Salt and Light Company

September 2002 – May 2006

- Description: Lead retreats for confirmation students in the Greater Boston area
- Skills: Planning, organizing and leading retreats for an average of 40 confirmation students per retreat, leading weekly meetings for the club, maintaining listserv, participating in the leadership council for the group, translating the retreat to Spanish for English Language Learners
- Time Commitment: at least 2 hours every week, much more in preparation of the retreats

Activity 3: Irish Dance

January 2003 – December 2005

- Description: Learned to Irish Dance under a world renowned instructor: Michael W. Smith
- Skills: numerous ceilis, slip-jig
- Time Commitment: 2 hours every week

Service Project: Appalachia Trip: Danville, VA, Habitat for Humanity Project

March 2004

- Description: Built houses for an impoverished neighborhood in Danville, VA, interacted with the families for whom the houses were being built, interacted with the community
- Skills: Developed a sense of poverty, learned how to build a house, witnessed a different culture
- Time Commitment: 24/7 for 6 days

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