Selection Questionnaire for the 2020 Belize Primatology Group Study Program

Please fill out this questionnaire if you want to be considered for the 2020 Belize Primatology Program. Selection will be made based on several criteria, including GPA, grades in relevant courses, year of program, motivation and relevant experiences.

Typically, students complete this questionnaire after having attended an information session for the Program. The information sessions are on

- **Sept. 19, 12:30-1:30, in room ES 614**
- **Oct. 3, 4:00-5:00, in room ES 614**

Please, if you are interested in the Program, make every effort to attend an info session. Otherwise, contact Dr. Hugh Notman at hgwnotma@ucalgary.ca.

Name___________________________________________________________________
I.D. Number _____________________________________________________________

1. Now that you know how much work, potential difficulty and expense you will face, are you 100% committed to attending the Primatology Field School in Belize?
   - □ No
   - □ Maybe
   - □ Yes, if . . .
   - □ Yes I fully intend to go if selected

2. What biology / zoology / ecology courses have you taken (or are currently taking, or will take in the Winter 2020 term) that are relevant to this field school?

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3. What primatology courses have you taken (or are currently taking, or will take in the 2018 winter term)?

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4. What other potentially relevant courses have you taken (or are currently taking, or will take in the 2018 winter term)?

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5. When did you start at the U of C? __________
   When do you expect to graduate?__________

6. Can you make all of the financial commitments and travel arrangements, by the times required?

☐ Yes, probably
☐ Yes, absolutely
☐ No, probably not

7. Do you understand and accept the physical hardships, the lack of free time, the limits on personal freedom (including a “no alcohol” rule during the field-school), and the workload that are all part of this program?

☐ No
☐ Yes with hesitation
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept
8. Do you accept there is a substantial workload prior to departure for Belize? If selected, you are expected to fully participate in this initial phase of the work that takes place in Calgary during the week prior to departure roughly at the end of April and beginning of May. Do you also accept that a preliminary reading package will be made available to you by early April and it will need to have been read by the first day of classes on campus in May?

☐ No  
☐ Yes with hesitation  
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept

9. Do you fully understand that you are going to an area of the world where the medical issues vary quite dramatically from those here in Canada? As a consequence, there is a need to meet with representatives from an International Travel Clinic who will advise on the need for shots and for prophylactic malaria medication? Are you prepared to take full responsibility for your health by preparing yourself appropriately for the field and to discuss your health needs with the Clinic as well as your physician and to follow their advice?

☐ No  
☐ Yes with hesitation  
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept

10. Do you understand that if you currently have or develop a medical condition prior to departure and/or take regular medication(s) that it is your responsibility to check with your physician and/or your pharmacist for their advice and to review possible interactions with malaria prophylactic or other medications you may have to take in the field? Do you accept that you will need to disclose your current medical conditions during the registration process for this program?

☐ No  
☐ Yes with hesitation  
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept
11. If selected, will you commit to being present at all meetings of the class? These include one to two meetings in late November and/or early December including an introductory meeting, and a meeting with staff from the International Travel Clinic on Campus as well a meeting in March in preparation for the program.

☐ No
☐ Yes with hesitation
☐ Yes, I fully understand and commit

12. Are you ready to accept the group standards (which will be explained at a later meeting) that will require a defined behaviour from you regardless of what local people, tourists, or other student groups might be doing?

☐ No
☐ Yes with hesitation
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept

13. Do you also understand and do you accept that you will travel as a representative of the University of Calgary and that if it is demonstrated that you have behaved in a manner which:

- significantly lowers the quality of the field school experience for the others
- endangers yourself or anyone else
- damages relations between us and the local people or the local institutions
- damages the reputation of the university or the course.

You may find yourself subject to a non-academic misconduct hearing? The consequences of such are likely to include dismissal from the program, a return to Canada at your own expense and a score of zero on any outstanding course requirements?

☐ No
☐ Yes with hesitation
☐ Yes, I fully understand and accept
14. What is your previous travel or outdoor experience?

15. Do you realize that doing fieldwork in Belize could involve encounters with potentially dangerous animals and plants? Do you suffer from any phobia that you are aware of that may prevent you from working efficiently in the field (snakes, spiders, other creatures)? Explain.

16. Why do you want to take this course? What is motivating you? What do you expect to get out of it?

17. If selected, what contribution will you make to the program (i.e. group, course, travel experience, etc)?
18. Is 2018 the last opportunity you will have to take this course?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, explain why:

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I, ________________________ (please print name) acknowledge that by signing this agreement, I have fully read the above and that I understand and accept the risks, dangers, hazards and liabilities as identified herein that may be associated with 2018 Belize Primatology Group Study Program and my participation in the Program.

Signed this ___ day of ______________, 20___

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(Signature of applicant)

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