Sample Itinerary Fiji: Ecotourism and Sustainability

Field Studies in Sustainable Development: Service-Learning

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Notes: This itinerary is a sample of potential program activities, deviations may be expected. All meals provided.

Destination	Date	Time	Topic	Contact Hours
Pre-departure			Program orientation	3L
Pre-departure			Online pre-departure lecture: An introduction to Fijian: The human and natural environments	2L
Nadi	Day 1	16:00	Group flights arrive	
		18:30 – 21:30	Welcome, dinner and orientation to Fiji (sulu pickup)	2L
Nadi to Botaira	Day 2	7:00	Breakfast	
		8:00 – 11:30	Depart for Denarau Harbor and Yasawa Flyer to Botaira Resort: Island tourism development	2F
		12:30	Lunch	
		15:00	Day one quiz	1L
		16:00 – 17:30	Introduction to service-learning, citizen science, and sustainability	1.5L
		18:30	Dinner	
		19:30 – 20:00	Debriefing for citizen science: Reef Check marine project overview	1.5L
		20:00	Module I reading: Community and the Fijian way of life	
Botaira	Day 3	7:30	Breakfast	
		8:30	Citizen science (marine) snorkel induction	1F
		10:00 - Noon	Introduction to Fiji's marine environment and group assignments	2L
		12:30	Lunch	
		13:30 – 16:30	Citizen science (marine) data collection, analysis, and presentation preparation	1L, 2F
		17:00	Module reading (cont.)	
		18:30	Dinner	

		19:30 – 20:30	Module I discussion	1L
Botaira	Day 4	7:30	Breakfast	
		8:30 – 10:00	Citizen science (marine) group presentations and discussion	1.5L
		10:30 – Noon	Citizen science (ecotourism) project overview and group assignments	1L, .5F
		12:30	Group lunch	
		13:30 – 16:30	Ecotourism project data collection, analysis, and presentation preparation	1L, 2F
		17:00	Module II reading: Tourism and the making of paradise	
		18:30	Dinner	
		19:30 – 21:30	Village homestay preparation, service-learning and ethnographic assignments	2L
Botaira to Soso	Day 5	7:30	Breakfast	_
		8:30 – 10:00	Citizen science (ecotourism) group presentations and discussion	1.5L
		10:30	Module II reading and homestay packing	
		12:30	Lunch	
		13:30	Depart for Soso village	
		15:00	Sevusevu	1L
		16:30	Service-learning assignments	2F
		18:30	Dinner with homestay family	
		20:00 – 21:00	Module II discussion	1L
Soso village	Day 6	7:30	Breakfast with homestay family	
		8:30	Service-learning project	2.5F
		11:00	Module III reading: Fijian culture, vanua, and traditional knowledge	
		12:30	Lunch with homestay family	
		13:30	Ethnographic study: Interviews and data collection	1.5L
		15:30	Service-learning project	2F
		17:30	Module III reading	
		18:30	Dinner with homestay family	

		20:00	Module III discussion 1L	-
Soso to Nadi	Day 7	7:30	Breakfast with homestay family	
		9:00	Return to Botaira	
		10:30 - Noon	Homestay debriefing: service activities and ethnographic projects	5L
		12:30	Lunch at Botaira	
		14:00	Return to Nadi via Yawasa Flyer	
		18:30	Dinner	
Nadi	Day 8	7:30	Breakfast	
		8:30	Course evaluation 1L	
		9:30	Final exam – concept quiz (open field notes) 2L	-
		11:30	Check-out of accommodations	
		Noon	Lunch	
		13:30	Coach depart for Latouka: Guided tour of 1L vegetable market and handicraft market	., 2F
		17:30	Return to Nadi	
		19:00	Transfer to Nadi International Airport and depart for Los Angeles	

Contact Hours

Lecture hours: 31

Field hours 20 hours (using 2 field hours = 1 lecture hour): 10 Total contact hours = 41 (3 semester credits)