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# Earthwatch Student Group Expeditions

An Earthwatch Student Group Expedition is a once-in-a-lifetime adventure for most students. But for those teens inspired to pursue their passion for science or a career in conservation, it's bound to be a first-in-a-lifetime experience—the spark that ignites an enduring interest in scientific study and our natural world.

This is no  
greenwashed walk  
in the woods—  
it's demanding,  
important, and  
rewarding work.



## Live What You Teach.

As a science educator, you know that all it takes to change the world is a hypothesis and a lot of data. On an Earthwatch Student Group Expedition, your students can experience the awesome potency of scientific inquiry firsthand, conducting real-world research on threatened and thriving species and habitats the world over.

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I have been a science teacher for 20 years. If I had a teacher in high school that exposed me to this kind of experience, I would be saying that I have been a field biologist for 20 years.

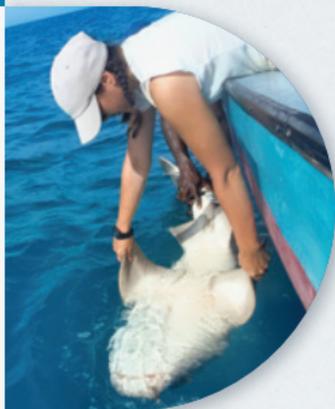
— Dean Zucky, Port of Los Angeles High School



## EXPEDITION SPOTLIGHT

### SHARK AND RAY CONSERVATION IN BELIZE

Belize's barrier reef was once a refuge for sharks, but with the intrusion of fisheries, shark populations have been decimated. Help researchers make the reef a safe haven again by investigating how marine reserves affect shark populations.



### WILDLIFE IN THE CHANGING ANDORRAN PYRENEES

Environmental change shows itself in countless small ways. Engage your powers of observation to discover evidence of these changes in one of the world's most fragile and beautiful places.



## Redefining 'Field Trip.'

The data you and your students help collect on an Earthwatch expedition will be published in peer-reviewed research with the power to shape real-world environmental policies around the world for years to come.

### EXPEDITION DETAILS

- Trips can be customized to fit your schedule and curricula.
- Two trip leaders join for free for every six students who enroll.
- Expedition costs range from \$2,000 to \$4,000 for 7 to 13 days.
- The contribution cost includes: food, lodging, local transport, a comprehensive safety protocol including emergency medical and evacuation insurance, 24/7 on-call incident support while you are in the field, and support for the research.
- Travel planning support and guidance available.
- We provide online crowdfunding tools to help you and your students with fundraising.
- All costs are U.S. tax-deductible.



Earthwatch's Student Group Expeditions can provide transformational learning experiences for students and their teachers, with the power to change lives and change the world.



There was a moment at the beach on the last day when the students climbed up a big cliff to see all these coves up the island. I had been telling them, 'this is what we need to save.' They knew what I was talking about, but it wasn't until that moment that they actually could see it for themselves. We tell our kids they are responsible for protecting our earth and limited resources, but that's meaningless unless they've experienced it.

– Carol Wang-Mondaca, Martin Van Buren High School

The experience was over and beyond what I dreamed of!! They had us working hard in the field, showing us what real scientists do on a daily basis...we counted berries, caught crabs, watched birds. Every piece of information we collected helped the lead scientist to add to the research that has already been done.

– Kristin Smith, Klein ISD

I am so excited to share the pictures and stories from the field with my students and excite them with the chance to do the same next year. I also discovered a newfound excitement in myself about being out in the field, collaborating with others who love biology, teaching, and learning, and being somewhere outside of my normal comfort zone."

– Amy Elliott, Walcott School



Contact us to start planning an expedition—and get ready to save the natural world.

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