



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE IN CUBA (A people to people program)

WHERE:

Estación Experimental Indio Hatuey;
Universidad de Matanzas, Cuba

WHEN:

May 13-24, 2018 (includes travel days)

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WHY CUBA

Agriculture faces new challenges include feeding a rapidly increasing world population, while avoiding yield losses due to unstable climate and oil prices, and depletion of natural the resource base.

Facing extreme scarcity of agricultural inputs and energy, Cuba developed alternative cutting-edge agricultural technologies and re-shaped its production strategies.

THE PROGRAM

This short course emplasizing people - to - people contact, offers an exciting opportunity to understand a production model that has made great strides and at the same time faces serious challenges. It focuses on productivity, agricultural inputs, environmental protection, extension, social organization, and marketing.

Offered to graduate and advanced undergraduate students from the USA. Faculty are from the US, Cuba, and Costa Rica.

SCHEDULE

- ✓ Agroecological production in Cuba
- ✓ Alternative inputs (biological control, bio-fertilizers, efficient microorganisms, alternative energy)
- ✓ Urban and peri-urban agriculture
- ✓ Government run & private farms
- ✓ Sustainable animal husbandry
- ✓ Marketing; Extension; Tech adoption

Day 1 – Trip to Cuba (Havana tour)

Days 2 – 11 Lectures, field trips, research, project presentations
(1-day trip to Varadero), farewell

Day 12 – Trip home

"This study abroad trip to Cuba allowed my students to experience all of Cuba, from the charm of Havana to the rural countryside. It is a great trip for those with an interest in sustainability and agronomic production, too" Dr. Beth Guertal, Auburn University

"We met with Cuban farmers, researchers, and inventors who taught us about different aspects of agroecology... I learned more than I ever could've hoped about new ways to approach food production, and land use in a broad context" Kendall DeLyser, alumna



TUITION: \$2,800 OTS member institutions

\$3,400 non-OTS member institutions

Includes all room & board, internal travel, materials, equipment. Does not include international travel costs.

Need-based partial scholarships available.

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