

THE GREATEST EXPERIENCE OF YOUR **LIFE**
OCEAN  **COLLEGE**
EXCHANGE PROGRAM ON A SAILING SHIP



BASICS:

Journey duration and dates: six months from mid-October to mid-April

Route: up to 12 countries, 11,000 nautical miles from Western Europe to the Caribbean and back

Participants: 32

Lessons: 6x4 h/week by trained teachers

Sailing: together with professional sailing crew

Language Aboard: English

THE PROJECT:

The goal of Ocean College is to deliver extracurricular experiential learning aboard a Tall Ship and through land-based educational expeditions.

Ocean College students relocate their schools to the Atlantic Ocean. During the six-month trip, the students become the voyage crew and participate in running every aspect of the ship. As part of their watch, they are responsible for taking command of the ship, which includes navigation, steering, setting sails, climbing the rigging, safety, astronavigation, chart entries and lookouts.

In Costa Rica the students have their longest stay with visits to reforestation projects, a two-week Spanish language course and work on a coffee farm.

During the voyage there will be three ship handovers where the Ocean College students can apply for all the positions on board including Captain, Mate, Navigator, Bosun, Deck Hand and then sail the Tall Ship on their own responsibility.

A voyage under open skies and to far horizons in which to enjoy life, make new friends, build confidence, work as part of a team, use perseverance, initiative and leadership to sail a Tall Ship to distant shores.

WHO CAN APPLY?

As a student:

Students who are at least 15 years old on the trip and who are before the school-leaving years

As a mentor:

Youths and young adults who have already graduated from high school

General requirements:

Enthusiasm and interest in other countries, cultures and people, willingness to take responsibility and ability to work under pressure,

No previous sailing knowledge or special language skills required

THREE MORE REASONS FOR OCEAN COLLEGE:

Pathways: Choose your own project accompanied by external experts from the fields of 'Science', 'Media' or 'Economics'

Personal development. Especially for the journey, we have developed a guide book (with our partner 'Klarheit') for reflection and organisation and to support our structured feedbacks during the voyage.

Sustainability: Collaboration in rainforest reforestation, fair trade coffee harvest and beach cleanups



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Questions?

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