



THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences & Family and Consumer Sciences



Georgia 4-H Base Programming

4-H GCEE Puerto Rico

Description of Learning Experience:

The 4-H Global Citizenship and Environmental Experience trip to Puerto Rico provides high school 4-Hers with the opportunity to explore another culture without technically leaving the United States. As environmental education is a major component of the trip, students use hands-on opportunities to explore a variety of tropical ecosystems including a bioluminescent bay and a tropical rainforest. Students are also able to investigate the strides Puerto Ricans are making in terms of environmental awareness and are able to take home ideas that can easily be implemented in the United States. 4-H'ers are also immersed in Latin American culture and have the benefit of learning about this culture alongside youth their own age – Puerto Rican 4-H'ers.

Learning Outcomes:

- Engage in meaningful dialogue on 4-H youth development and Citizenship programs
- Experience environmental science through the exploration for a variety of tropical ecosystems
- Learn about the lifestyles of youth in other cultures
- Benefit from an international experience of Latin American culture
- Develop life-skills including budgeting, flexibility, and planning

Georgia Performance Standards:

ELAWLRC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.

ELA11LSV1 & ELA12SV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.

ELA11LSV2 & ELA12LSV2 The student formulates reasoned judgments about written and oral communication in various media genres. The student delivers focused, coherent, and polished presentations that convey a clear and distinct perspective, demonstrate solid reasoning, and combine traditional rhetorical strategies of narration, exposition, persuasion, and description.

SSCG6 The student will demonstrate knowledge of civil liberties and civil rights.

Essential Elements:

Primary: Independence and Belonging

Secondary: Mastery and Generosity

Mission Mandates:

Civic Engagement, Science, Engineering and Technology

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4-H helps young people experience: An increased desire to make a difference in their communities - High levels of leadership, self esteem, public speaking, communication and planning skills - Improved School Performance - Motivation to help others - Overall improvement in civic identity and civic engagement.