Tanzania Field Seminar
An Exploration with Stanford Students
September 8 to 24, 2011

There is something truly inspiring about traveling with a multi-generational group of Stanford alumni. Ideas are shared, bonds are forged and lifelong memories are made. The learning goes in both directions. Eighteen years ago our Field Seminar program was created – the concept was a natural – pair Stanford sophomores with Stanford alumni for an educational travel experience neither group will ever forget. Led by Bill Durham, '71, who shares his passion for biology and love of teaching with the group, and continued by the sophomores with on-site presentations, our Field Seminar provides a rare opportunity to be part of a trip that is steeped in learning and discovery from start to finish. We hope you'll join us!

- Relive your time on the farm with two days on-campus at Stanford hearing lectures from Professor Durham
- Marvel at views of Mt. Kilimanjaro and Mt. Meru – the highest and fifth highest peaks in Africa – in Arusha National Park
- Watch zebras, wildebeest and elephants as they congregate along the banks of the Tarangire river
- Visit a Maasai village and learn about their way of life while in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area

FACULTY LEADER

Professor William Durham, '71, former director of human biology and chair of anthropology in Stanford’s School of Humanities and Sciences, is an innovative researcher and teacher, whose primary interests are ecology and evolution, the interactions of genetic and cultural change in human populations, and the challenges to conservation and community development in the tropics, especially the Amazon and the Galápagos. Creating and leading the first Stanford Field Seminar in 1992 and more than a dozen since, he has conducted fieldwork throughout Central and South America and Africa. Professor Durham believes that educational travel with students is an enriching experience in and of itself. As he explains to Field Seminar participants, “As an alum, you will share in the wonder, awe and excitement of the discoveries of the undergraduates. Traveling with the students energizes everyone and adds enormously to the fun and educational value of these trips.”

- Joined the Stanford University faculty in 1977
- Currently the Bing Professor in Human Biology and the Yang and Yamazaki University Fellow
- Recipient of the Bing Fellow Award and a MacArthur Prize Fellowship

“Bill is a master of style, content and ability to connect; a perfect balance of authority and warmth.” Kay Sprinkel Grace, ’59, MA ’75 Amazon and Machu Picchu Field Seminar, 2010

Also joining the trip as co-faculty is Susan Charnley. Susan is a Research Social Scientist with the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station in Portland, Oregon. She has a PhD in Anthropology from Stanford. Her current research focuses on how people can sustain rural, natural resource-based livelihoods in a manner that contributes to conservation and rural community development; and on how formal and informal institutions for forest management influence the production of forest goods and services. She has worked in forest and rangeland ecosystems in North and Central America, and East Africa.
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Home / Stanford University, Stanford, California
Thursday, September 8
Meet Field Seminar staff, students and travelers on campus this evening for a welcome reception, orientation and dinner. (D)

Stanford University
Friday & Saturday, September 9 & 10
Join Professor Durham for morning and afternoon lectures and discussions on key aspects of land use and conservation in Tanzania. (B,L,D - both days)

Depart U.S. / Arusha, Tanzania
Sunday & Monday, September 11 & 12
Depart on overnight flights from San Francisco, arriving in Tanzania in the late evening the following day, and transfer to our hotel. ARUSHA HOTEL (D)

Arusha
Tuesday, September 13
After breakfast, attend a safari briefing before departing on safari to the Arusha National Park for game drives. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the park. This evening, enjoy a cocktail reception and welcome dinner at our hotel. ARUSHA HOTEL (B,L,D)

Arusha National Park
The closest national park to the town of Arusha – northern Tanzania’s safari capital – Arusha National Park is a multi-faceted jewel, often overlooked by safari goers. The park offers the opportunity to explore a beguiling diversity of habitats within a few hours. The entrance gate leads into shadowy mountain forest inhabited by inquisitive blue monkeys and colorful turacos and trogons – the only place on the northern safari circuit where the acrobatic black-and-white colobus monkey is easily seen. In the midst of the forest stands the spectacular Ngurdoto Crater, whose steep, rocky cliffs enclose a wide marshy floor dotted with herds of buffalo and warthog.

Further north, rolling grassy hills enclose the tranquil beauty of the Momela Lakes, each one a different hue of green or blue. Their shallows sometimes tinged pink with thousands of flamingos, the lakes support a rich selection of resident and migrant waterfowl, and shaggy waterbucks display their large lyre-shaped horns on the watery fringes. Giraffes glide across the grassy hills, between grazing zebra herds, while pairs of wide-eyed dik-dik dart into scrubby bush.

Leopards and spotted hyenas may be seen slinking around in the early morning and late afternoon. At dusk and dawn the veil of cloud on the eastern horizon is most likely to clear, revealing the majestic snow-capped peaks of Kilimanjaro, only 30 miles away.

Tarangire National Park
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, September 14, 15 & 16
Following breakfast at our hotel, drive to the Tarangire Safari Lodge, our home for the next three days, for a welcome briefing before setting out on a game drive. Stop for a picnic lunch in Tarangire National Park. This evening, enjoy dinner and time at the lodge, which overlooks the Tarangire River. TARANGIRE SAFARI LODGE (B,L,D – all three days)
Tarangire National Park
Part of an ecosystem of about 25,000 sq. kilometers, while the park itself is 2,700 sq. kilometers, the park supports a large population of elephants numbering about 3,000.

Many Zebra and wildebeest congregate on the perennial Tarangire river, especially in the dry seasons from about June to the end of October and again from January to March. Wildlife viewing along the river presents endless opportunities for pictures of families of elephants coming down to drink, with youngsters often playing and cavorting in the cooling stream under the watchful eye of their mothers.

Lake Manyara National Park
Saturday, September 17
This morning, drive to Lake Manyara National Park for wildlife viewing from our 4x4 vehicles. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the park before driving up the Great Rift Valley escarpment late in the afternoon. Enjoy dinner and time at our lodge this evening. KIRURUMU TENTED LODGE (B,L,D)

Lake Manyara National Park
A small but diverse park at the base of the Great Rift Valley, which together with nearby Tarangire National park, are found on the way to Ngorongoro and Serengeti. Manyara is scenically unmatched for its great contrasts of lake and plains. It is home to large flocks of flamingo, with pelicans and yellow-billed storks nesting on the tops of forest giants and feeding in the lake delta of the Kirurumu river. The elephants in the park are unusually approachable and will pass within a few feet of a car.

The forest is home to many primates including large troops of baboons and blue monkeys who are fascinating to watch and exhibit complex behavior patterns.

Although it is one of Tanzania’s smaller wildlife enclaves, Lake Manyara National Park is a spectacular reserve that boasts an incredible diversity of terrain, as well as plant and animal species. Established specifically to protect the elephant herds that have made this area world renowned, the park provides an excellent and varied wildlife experience.

Great Rift Valley / Ngorongoro Conservation Area
Sunday & Monday, September 18 & 19
After breakfast at our lodge, join our Maasai guides for a walking tour along the Great Rift Valley escarpment. Our walk concludes with a visit to a Maasai Boma before we go back to our lodge for lunch. This afternoon, depart for the Ngorongoro Conservation Area and check in to our lodge for the next two nights. There is an opportunity to take a guided walk in the Ngorongoro Highlands in the early evening. The next day is reserved for game viewing in the Ngorongoro Crater. NGORONGORO SOPA LODGE (B,L,D – both days)

The Ngorongoro Conservation Area
The Ngorongoro crater is home to up to 20,000 mammals and is the largest intact caldera in the world, providing one of the most breathtaking views in the natural world, with its back drop of volcanoes and its floor punctuated by thousands of animals. Here it is not unusual to see each of “The Big Five” (elephants, lions, cape buffalo, leopard and rhino) in a single morning.

Olduvai Gorge / Serengeti National Park
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, September 20, 21 & 22
After breakfast this morning, drive to the Olduvai Gorge in the Serengeti Plains to visit the museum there. Continue through the Serengeti National Park, stopping along the way to enjoy a picnic lunch. This afternoon, arrive at our lodge, our home for the next three nights. SERENGETI SOPA LODGE (B,L,D – all three days)
Serengeti National Park and Maasai Mara Game Reserve
The world famous Serengeti National park is home to over 2 million mammals and the scene of the annual migration, a movement of more than 1 ½ million animals in a never ending journey in search of the best pasture and access to precious water. There are 95 species of mammals and over 500 species of birds in the eco-system.

The vast Serengeti includes the plains of the south and west and encompasses the northern and western woodlands that pass into the open plains of the Maasai Mara. Two main river systems provide life giving sustenance, the Mara river in Kenya and the seasonal Grumeti river in Tanzania, both crossed and re-crossed each year during the migration.

Seronera / Arusha / Kilimanjaro / U.S.
Friday, September 23 & Saturday, September 24
This morning after breakfast, make our final game drive on the way to the Seronera airstrip. Connect with flights to Arusha and have lunch at a local restaurant. The afternoon is at leisure to prepare for international flights home. ARUSHA HOTEL – Day Rooms (B,L)
INFORMATION

DATES
September 8 to 24, 2011 (17 days)

SIZE
This program is limited to 27 alumni participants and 12 Stanford sophomores.

COST*
$ 6,995 per person, double occupancy
$ 7,528 per person, single occupancy
*Association nonmembers add $200 per person.

INCLUDED
• 2 nights of hotel accommodations
• 9 nights of deluxe safari lodge accommodations
• 13 breakfasts, 13 lunches and 15 dinners
• Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions
• Bottled water on excursions
• Gratuities to porters, guides and drivers for all group activities
• All tours and excursions as described in the itinerary
• Transfers and baggage handling on September 11th and 24th.
• Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance
• Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list, a selected book, map and travel information
• Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

NOT INCLUDED
• International and U.S. domestic airfare
• Passport and visa fees
• Immunization costs
• Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
• Hotel accommodations in Palo Alto for the nights of September 8 through 10
• Independent and private transfers
• Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
• Excess-baggage charges
• Personal items such as email, telephone and fax calls, laundry and gratuities for nongroup services

AIR ARRANGEMENTS
International and U.S. domestic airfare is not included in the program cost. Round-trip, economy-class airfare on Delta from San Francisco to Arusha (Kilimanjaro International Airport) is approximately $2,828 as of October 2010 and is subject to change without notice.

WHAT TO EXPECT
We consider this program to be moderately strenuous. Open-air safari vehicles are used for the game drives, which can be dusty and somewhat bumpy. Some days require early mornings. We often have a full schedule of excursions, lectures and special events. Participants must be physically fit, active and in good health. We welcome travelers 15 years of age and older on this program.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT
A $1,000 per-person deposit is required to hold your space. Complete and return the attached reservation form or sign up online at www.stanfordalumni.org/trip?tanzania2011. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS
Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a $500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to departure. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply.

INSURANCE
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. We strongly encourage that you subscribe to optional baggage and trip-cancellation insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be mailed with your confirmation. The product offered in this brochure includes a special Waiver of Pre-Existing Conditions and coverage for Financial Insolvency and Terrorist Acts if you postmark your insurance payment within 15 days of the date listed on the confirmation letter.

ELIGIBILITY
We encourage membership in the Alumni Association; the program cost for nonmembers is $200 more than the members’ price. For more information or to purchase a membership, visit www.stanfordalumni.org/membership or call (650) 725-0692.

RESPONSIBILITY
The Stanford Alumni Association, Stanford University and our operators act only as agents for the passenger with respect to transportation and exercise every care possible in doing so. However, we can assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any automobile, motorcoach, launch or any other conveyance used in carrying out this program or for the acts or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the program. We cannot accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, force majeure or other causes beyond our control. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to this published itinerary as may be deemed necessary. The right is reserved to cancel any program prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. The right is also reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the program. No refund will be made for an unused portion of any tour unless arrangements are made in sufficient time to avoid penalties. Baggage is carried at the owner’s risk entirely. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. Neither the Alumni Association, Stanford University nor our operators accept liability for any carrier’s cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable ticket connected with the tour. Program price is based on rates in effect in May 2010 and is subject to change without notice to reflect fluctuations in exchange rates, tariffs or fuel charges. As a condition of participation, all confirmed participants are required to sign a Release of Liability.

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Reservation Form

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I/We have read the Terms and Conditions for the program and agree to them.

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If this is a reservation for one person, please indicate:

- [ ] I wish to have single accommodations.
- [ ] I plan to share accommodations with ______________________________
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Here is my deposit of $_________ ($1,000 per person) for ______ place(s).

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