

Natural and Tropical Medicine

<i>Day</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Topic</i>
1	Travel to Panama Introduction by PGC staff	Orientation to Panama, PGC, and to the course
2	Panama City	Tour of Panama City with emphasis on the cultural and economic diversity and related health care issues . This tour will include a number of hospitals and clinics, both public and private, that provide care
3	Panama City Hospitál del Niño infectious disease department	Meet with tropical medicine specialists to learn about tropical diseases in Panama and efforts to control these
4	Panama City Hospitál del Niño infectious disease department	Spend a half day with residents caring for patients with infectious diseases and learning about their training in tropical medicine Spend the second half of the day in lecture learning about specific tropical diseases
5	Panama City Gorgas Research Center	Tour the largest Tropical Medicine research center in Central America and talk to experts about their research
6	Panama City	Meet with a local naturopath and learn how natural medicine is used in Panama Visit the area of the Central Market where naturopathic remedies are sold and talk with vendors there
7	Rural Panama	Visit a rural clinic and learn about the most common tropical diseases they treat
8	Travel to the rain forest	Spend the evening settling into the village and observing village life
9	Rain forest	Meet with indigenous healers and learn how they treat their people Attend a healing ceremony
10	Rain forest	Spend the day in the forest with indigenous herbalists searching for medicinal herbs
11	Rain forest	Meet with representatives of the pharmaceutical industry and learn about their research and the effects of deforestation on their work
12	Return to Panama City	Cultural event (no trip is complete without this)

13	Panama City	Tour the Panama Canal and the Canal museum to learn about the history of tropical diseases and how they impacted the history of Panama and the Canal
14	Return home	This is a good time for a reflection session while everyone is gathered at the airport