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## Biology & Oceanography

**Sample Itinerary**

**Key Largo, Florida**

**5 Days – 4 Nights**

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### Day One

Travel day to the **Florida Keys**. Arrive and check in to our local facility. Dinner is included this evening. (D)

### Day Two

Breakfast is included at our hotel this morning. Begin today with a **Marine Education Program**. Includes: swim test and gear orientation; lagoon snorkel; and dinner at the facility.

During today's **lab** students will learn the importance of abiotic conditions such as water quality parameters, healthy levels for water quality parameters, and techniques for measuring water quality. **Hands-on training** is included with water samples representing different bodies of water. Samples will be compared and explained. Student data will be uploaded to the GLOBE comprehensive database and available to scientists worldwide.

**Seagrass Ecology Discussion** will focus on the importance of a healthy seagrass community, threats facing seagrass, and organisms associated with seagrass. Proper snorkeling techniques are shown. (B,L,D)

### Day Three

Breakfast included at the hotel each morning. We begin the day with a **Snorkeling Field Trip**—seagrass ecology with quadrats. Next we'll discuss coral reef ecology. After lunch included we depart for a **Coral Reef Ecology Field Trip** where students

**snorkel on a variety of coral reefs**. Dinner is included this evening. After dinner there will be a **Invertebrate Diversity Lab** and **Everglades Hydrology Discussion**. (B,L,D)

### Day Four

Today is jam-packed with fun and learning. Begin with a **briefing at Dolphins Plus** before **swimming with the dolphins**. Lunch included. After lunch we'll **learn about dolphin intelligence and communication**. Oh, Oh! Get ready to smell fishy at the **Marine Mammal Care Lab**. Next is the **Touch Tank tour of South Florida sea creatures**. Before departing there is one more fun learning **experience with How to Train Dolphins** (and each other). Dinner is included this evening. After dinner join in a **field identification of reef fish with Reef Fish Survey**. Early tonight take a short **boat ride into Largo Sound for a Plankton Tow**. (B,L,D)

### Day Five

This morning's field trip is **mangrove ecology with soil sampling**. Lunch is included today. After lunch it is a field trip of **Coral Reef Ecology #2** where we'll **visit two more coral reefs**. Dinner is included this evening. (B,L,D)

### Day Six

After breakfast and checking out depart for home. (B)

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