

## IFE Belize Meeting: 16 January 2015

\*\*\*Turn in Hard Copy of DEC Field Hours to 3<sup>rd</sup> floor corner office: ASAP\*\*\*

### 3 Upcoming Meetings Planned:

- 6<sup>th</sup> of February [no longer meeting then, now there is a social at Blue Post @6]
- 6<sup>th</sup> of March
- 16<sup>th</sup> of March: **Pre-Departure Meeting**
  - o Dr. K will talk to Dr. Buchanan about time conflict with Pre-Departure Meeting

### At Pre-Departure Meeting:

- Divvy up school supplies
- Travel info (how to get through customs, etc)
- Final check in before we leave!!!

Essentially 20% done with internship!!!

- Be on your game at all times!
- **YOU CANNOT GO TO BELIZE IF YOU DO NOT FINISH YOUR INTERNSHIP**

### Flights:

- \$750 out of Wilmington
- \$620 out of Raleigh
- You should book flights soon
- Book through flights to Belize City

### Arrival in Belize:

- Dr. K and Dr. C are leaving the 18<sup>th</sup> of March
- You need to be there by the 19<sup>th</sup>, **preferably on the 18<sup>th</sup>** (unless otherwise discussed or if you have a major price cut)

### Poverty Simulation:

- Sign up ASAP
- It is a great experience and if you have already taken part in it, then they always need volunteers!

### February 6<sup>th</sup> 2015 – Belize Social at Blue Post

- ➔ No longer having the scheduled meeting, now is a social
- ➔ Address: 15 South Water Street, Wilmington, NC 28401
- ➔ Phone Number for Blue Post: 910 – 343 – 1141

➔ Be there or be square at 6

Office of International Programs:

- Pre-departure meeting:  
February 5<sup>th</sup> 4 – 6 pm [**MANDATORY attendance**]  
Warwick Ballroom 5
- Try to arrive early

Registration: you should be registered for the IFE Belize course at this time, if not please register for one of the following classes:

- EDN 455 001 – for Undergrads
- EDN 592 001 – for Graduate Students

**Concerns for the trip:**

- Professionalism
- Appropriate Behaviour
- Safety
  - o Must walk in groups of at least 2
  - o Be aware of safety
- UNCW/WCE Requirements
- Appropriate Social Media Presence
- Do not come in at 4 am after a long night of drinking!!!
- This is not spring break. This is not a vacation. It is work!
- *DO NOT HAVE VISITORS* while in Belize:
  - o They lead to issues
  - o There is no grey area: it is a work experience, not a holiday

**PSA:** You can still relax on the trip, just need to be up and at school by 7 am!

Be warned: you are not as good of a teacher, as you think you are! This trip will help you find your inner teacher self

You will be challenged in ways you never thought you could be!

Potential Schedule in Belize:

1<sup>st</sup> week: in schools, the end of their quarter, so expect to do anything, proctoring or teaching.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> week: experience Belize and Community Service projects

Last couple weeks: in schools teaching

- Check Dr. K's website for potential National Standards from Belize Education System

When in schools:

In secondary schools – teachers move from class to class and students stay in place

Elementary Schools – teachers generally expected to teach all subjects?

Budget: updated on class website

- **OIP should have posted cost to your student accounts**
- **Must pay off by 6 FEBRUARY 2015**
- If it is an issue, please discuss with Dr. K and Dr. C before hand

NC Portfolio:

- Must turn it in BEFORE you go to Belize, unless you are a graduate student then you will probably still be working

Philosophy of Education:

- This paper will be discussed in depth at a later date
- 1 -2 pages on your philosophies of teaching
- Required for the class, will discuss at Pre-Departure Meeting

School Supplies:

- Should have received email from committee including a flyer for you to post up at your school, other locations where you might find interested donors
- Should have a box in your classroom for supplies (encourage your students to donate!!!)
- Bring all supplies into the pre-departure meeting
- Just a suggestion from your friendly secretary, Callie – I will be discussing this as a potential option for extra credit in my classes