

Tropical Ecology Course Papua New Guinea 2023

Call for applications



The Tropical Ecology Course (TEC) will be taking place for three weeks in July 2023 at the New Guinea Binatang Research Center (www.ngbinatang.com) and adjacent rainforests, coral reefs, and volcanoes. TEC will be conducted in English with Vojtěch Novotný being the main instructor. It is open for 10 students from the University of South Bohemia (USB) and 20 students from Papua New Guinea (funded and recruited separately). Only BSc and MSc students from the Faculty of Sciences at USB who will still be enrolled students at the time of the TEC (in the standard study or in one semester extension at most) are eligible¹. TEC participants can be from any study specialization. However, we expect them to have demonstrable interest in ecology or related fields, and the knowledge of ecology on the level of the basic Ecology course. The course fee is CZK 20K per student (plus circa CZK 10K additional expected expenses).

The application should include CV (including grade average for the last three semesters; two semesters for 2nd year, no requirement for 1st year BSc students) and a motivation letter explaining your interest in the course (all in English). The deadline for receiving the application at novotny@entu.cas.cz is **20 December 2022 (23.55 CET)**. Use "Tropical Ecology Course" as the email subject line. The short-listed applicants will be interviewed in person or on-line in early January 2023. The interested students are encouraged to talk also to the TECs alumni for more information (the most recent course took place in 2019).

¹ This includes 1st and 2nd year BSc students, 1st year MSc students and also the last year BSc & MSc students unless they had completed their studies before TEC; the 3rd year BSc students who had completed their studies are eligible if already enrolled in MSc study. ● Students who applied to the (covid-cancelled) 2021 course and are now or will be in a PhD programme are also eligible.

