

Mountains to the Sea: Ecosystems of Chile

2023 Itinerary (subject to change)

ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

- Asynchronous **Canvas Site**
- **MANDATORY SYNCHRONOUS PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING:** to be scheduled in late February or early March.

CHILE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Friday 3/24: depart PDX (or other airport); in transit overnight

Saturday 3/25: arrive at Balmaceda Airport by 5:00 pm, take shuttle to Coyhaique. Group Welcome Dinner at Taberna Dolbek.

Overnight in **Coyhaique (Hotel Entre Cumbres)**

Sunday 3/26: Visit Coyhaique Alto (**Dry Site**)

Activities with University of Aysén Faculty - Las Quemadas rock shelter; Lengua Forests; Steppe ecosystem

Overnight in **Coyhaique (Hotel Entre Cumbres)**

Monday 3/27: Visit University of Aysén (meet faculty)

Morning: Reserva Rio Simpson (**Wet Site**)

Afternoon: Aiken Park (Evergreen Forests – Riesco Lake)

Overnight in **Coyhaique (Hotel Entre Cumbres)**

Tuesday 3/28: Visit Reserva Coyhaique (**Intermediate Site**)

Activities with University of Aysén faculty (Pine plantations, Lengua Forest restoration)

Afternoon: Aysén Natural History Museum

Overnight in **Coyhaique (Hotel Entre Cumbres)**

Wednesday 3/29: Travel to Puerto Guadal. Stop to visit Cerro Castillo National Park (discuss Huemul conservation) and Wall of Hands Archeological Site

Overnight in **Puerto Guadal (Mallin Colorado)**

Thursday 3/30: Hiking Day with views of Lakes and Glaciers

Overnight in **Puerto Guadal (Mallin Colorado)**

Friday 3/31: Travel to Puerto Bertrand. Rafting excursion in and see Confluencia Rios Baker and Nef. Program debrief and group presentations. Farewell Dinner

Overnight in **Puerto Guadal (Mallin Colorado)**

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Saturday 4/1: Rise early to leave Puerto Guadal at 6am. Travel as a group to Balmaceda Airport. Class adjourns. Depart no earlier than 12pm from Balmaceda. Travel home (or personal travel). Arrive back in U.S. on Sunday 4/2 (or later).

POST PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- **Reunion + Group Presentations** - Hybrid event to be scheduled in Week 3 or 4 of Spring term