

Schedule of Classes  
 Comparative Environmental Law in the Americas:  
 Costa Rica, the United States and Florida  
 LAW 6930, §8781  
 June 18-July 31, 2001

Week 1	Environmental Issues in the Americas
6/18 8:00 A.M.	Overview of the Course
5:00-8:00 PM	Registration: ABA Conference: Infrastructure, the Environment and Dispute Resolution in the Americas, Camino Real Inter-Continental Hotel.
6/19  8:00 AM- 8:30 PM	ABA Conference: Infrastructure, the Environment and Dispute Resolution in the Americas
6/20  9:00 A.M.- 5:30 P.M	ABA Conference (continued)
5:30 P.M.	ABA Conference Closing Reception: The Monastery
6/21	Review of conference themes from perspectives of students' home countries.
6/22-23	Pacuare River Whitewater Rafting
Week 2	The Comparative Context for Environmental Law
6/25	Introduction to the Comparative Method Professor Pedro Malavet
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Week 3	Administrative Framework and Environmental Impact Assessment
7/2	Administrative Frameworks for Environmental Law The United States and Florida: Richard Hamann Costa Rica: Rafael Gonzalez Ballar and Maria Jiminez Comparative Discussion: Students
7/3	The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Richard Hamann Environmental Impact Assessment in Costa Rica Rafael Gonzalez Ballar
7/4	Environmental Impact Assessment: A Comparative Study Javier Mateo Vaga, OTS Case Studies of Environmental Impact Studies in Costa Rica Annabelle García, attorney, SETENA
Week 4	Water Quantity, Water Quality and Coastal Development Issues
7/9	Water Quantity: Florida, Costa Rica and Regional Examples
7/10	Water Quality: United States, Costa Rica and Regional Examples
7/11	Coastal Development: Costa Rica Jose Pablo Gonzalez, Public Prosecutor Comparative Case Studies: Students
7/13-15	Tortuguero: International and Local Turtle Conservation
Week 5	Public and Private Property Rights Private Land Conservation
7/16	Public and Private Property Rights: US, Costa Rican and Regional Approaches
7/17	Conservation Easements: US and Florida Drafting Issues
7/18	Conservation Easements: Costa Rica and Latin America Carlos Chacon, CEDARENA Steve Mack, Asociation para Conservacion de la Osa

7/19	No classes
Week 6	
7/23	Citizen Enforcement: Obstacles and Opportunities The U.S. Experience-- Richard Hamann Citizen Suits in Costa Rica-- Rafael Gonzalez Ballar Regional Comparison-- Students
7/24	Green Parrot Conservation George Powell et al
7/25	Guanacaste Day: Review and Chicharrones
Week 7	Examinations
7/30	Final Exam: 8-11 A.M.