

2017 PLU WELL PROJECT FAQ'S

a unique course and service opportunity



This is a semester course that meets during spring semester, 2017, with a unique field experience in June of 2017. The unique and interdisciplinary course prepares students for the field experience, helps create community partnerships, and completes fundraising.



The trip will take place **Saturday, June 3 – Saturday, June 10, 2017**. We will fly to Houston, spend the night, and then fly to Managua, Nicaragua the next morning. We return on 6/10 late in the evening.



The cost of the trip is **\$2,580 per person**. This includes airfare, all accommodations, all meals in country, transportation, training, insurance through PLU, and community hygiene supplies. *Individual and group fundraising opportunities will be available.*



Spanish is extremely helpful, though not required. The LWI staff will serve as translators. Approximately 90% of all of our communication can be nonverbal. **Love** is indeed a universal language. Bueno!



The food in one word is... **delicious**. Meals at the LWI compound are provided by staff using their own family recipes. Food safety is a top priority, and purified water is provided during the week.



In 6 trips, 2 with family and 3 with PLU, Dr. Mulder has experienced no challenges in Nicaragua. LWI has shown to have effective **procedures in place to support safety** while traveling and drilling.



No experience is necessary. Training is provided, and work has been performed by those ages 14-85 years of age. And, yes, we do use a drilling rig... not shovels for the well. ☺



The **CDC recommends routine vaccinations**, including MMR and Tetanus. Typhoid medication is inexpensive and optional. Insect borne illnesses can be prevented with common bug spray. For more information, visit www.cdc.gov and the *Nicaragua* page.



Typical Day: 7am meeting, 7:30am Breakfast, 8:00am departure for community, 12:00 lunch, 5:00pm return to compound, 6:00pm dinner, 7:00pm reflections & writing. Then... nighty night!

For any further questions, please email Mark Mulder at muldemr@plu.edu. This course and field experience is pending annual review and approval from the Global Education Committee and the PLU Wang Center.



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learn about nonprofits and global projects



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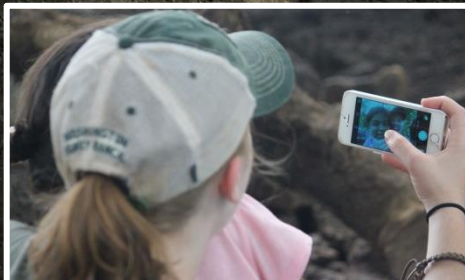
SERVE in Nicaragua
Learn, lead and love...
while providing decades
of clean water.

Imagine not having access to clean water. Together, we will collaborate with a community to help them achieve their dream, and we'll teach health lessons to children and adults (separately).

Students who have participated in this course have described it as life changing, and have cherished the relationships that were developed as they served alongside of the community. Are you ready to dig deep?

A great opportunity for the **Nonprofit Leadership Minor (NPLM)**

The School of Business offers a very unique nonprofit minor, designed to give a student from ANY MAJOR an opportunity to learn and prepare for possible nonprofit leadership. Whether you are looking at this as a potential career or for future volunteer work, our minor helps you step right into the leadership role. This experience can count as your internship by taking a 4-credit internship (BUSA 495), or you can take a 4-credit special topics course (BUSA 388).



**In Partnership with an
Awesome Nonprofit**

Living Water International drills thousands of wells each year. We'll be joining their team in Rivas, Nicaragua for our project. The LWI team is incredible, both in their dedication and their work. LWI is also experienced, and each year coordinates hundreds of projects such as these in Latin America.

**Led by a Professor and
Experienced Facilitator**

Dr. Mulder is a Professor of Marketing at PLU and a veteran cazador de agua (water hunter). He has led 6 trips with LWI in Central America (3 with PLU), and had designed custom onsite reflection experiences for the group. He is also an active researcher in the area of transformative experiences.

