

Graduate Credit Available

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT
2007

Marine and Island Ecology of the Bahamas

ACCA Schools

in conjunction with

Shedd Aquarium

will sponsor a 4-credit hour course to:

Delve into the tropical world underwater as you explore habitats and animals found on and around the Bahamian islands. Discover how oceanography and water chemistry affect marine habitats and island environments. Develop identification techniques as you study species such as fishes, reptiles, plants and invertebrates. Gain knowledge of techniques and procedures used in field research. Become familiar with tropical marine and island flora and fauna, and survey a variety of marine and terrestrial communities in the Exumas. Then board Shedd's research vessel, the R/V Coral Reef II, and apply your newfound knowledge of field and research techniques in a nine-day field experience.

Class Sessions:

Saturdays, March 24, 31 and April 14, 21 and 28

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

at the Shedd Aquarium

Swim and Snorkel Check-out:

Date and time TBD.

At Scuba Systems in Skokie

Field Experience:

Mon., May 21 – Tues., May 29 (9 days)

OR

Tues., May 29 – Wed., June 6 (9 days)

Destination: Exuma Islands, Bahamas

Registration Fees:

College Tuition

Please see your college registrar for current tuition rates.

Shedd Tuition

\$2300 per student includes lodging aboard the *R/V Coral Reef II* and all meals.

Airfare is not included in this fee.

For more course information, please contact **Renee Birk** at Shedd Aquarium at **312-692-3328**.