



CBS Adventures Abroad

## Carolyn Kalinowski // Bonaire

### What about the program appealed to you the most?

I was most interested in the CIEE Bonaire STEM Intensive program because of the STEM intensive portion. I was able to complete 10 credits of marine-related course work in 8 weeks, something that really made the course valuable, in my opinion. I was also able to receive higher scuba certifications as well as training in marine ecological field research methods, which really made me excited about the program. The most important aspect of the program was that I was able to work on a research project while I was there; all the way from designing the experiment to writing a full manuscript to submit to a journal.

### What was your most memorable experience?

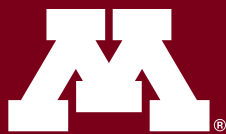
My most memorable experience was the weekend we actually left Bonaire and traveled on the 16 minute plane ride over to the island of Curacao. The weekend was so much fun; we didn't have any tests or homework to worry about and we were able to do so much! I went down 551 ft. in a research submarine, had the best snorkel of my life, and went cliff jumping for the first time, into clear turquoise waters with beautiful corals below. That was definitely the least expected but most exciting experience I was able to take part in.

### Student Scoop

**Major:** Ecology, Evolution and Behavior

### On the most interesting food she tried:

I had fried barracuda with some sauce with a Dutch name that I can't pronounce, but it was absolutely delicious!



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