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the way

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# 2012 Peruvian Highlands Expedition

## Encounter the mysterious sanctuary

of Machu Picchu in a powerful way—on a trek with blind, visually impaired and sighted teammates. The Peruvian Highlands are an ideal landscape to experience the power of a determined human spirit and to challenge yourself as a leader.

You'll spend the first 3 days experiencing culture in the magical city of Cusco and the breathtaking Sacred Valley. You'll spend the next 5 days hiking through spectacular mountain vistas and ancient Inca ruins. Your final stop will be the famous citadel of Machu Picchu.



### LEAD

STEP OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE AND LEARN TO USE ADVERSITY AS AN ADVANTAGE.





### LEARN

EXPLORE NEW CULTURES, ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AND STEP UP TO BECOME A RESPONSIBLE GLOBAL CITIZEN.

### LIVE

EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF TRAVEL AND DISCOVER THE POWER YOU HAVE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD.

## Program Highlights

-  Explore what it means to be a responsible traveler.
-  Discover masterful Incan engineering at magnificent archeological sites.
-  Challenge yourself to examine your own leadership strengths and weaknesses.
-  Experience Peruvian culture and engage in a meaningful service project.

The Global Explorers Leading the Way program was developed in partnership with world-renowned adventurer Erik Weihenmayer. In 2001, Weihenmayer became the only blind man in history to reach the summit of the world's highest peak—Mount Everest. Leading the Way has been featured on ABC Nightline, World News Tonight, Travel Channel, and CBS Sunday Morning.

## How to Apply

### WHO?

Students 15-21 years old  
(blind, visually impaired or sighted)

### WHEN?

**Applications are due November 18**  
and available online:  
[www.globalexplorers.org/leadingtheway](http://www.globalexplorers.org/leadingtheway)

### HOW MUCH?

\$3,510 + airfare to/from Lima, Peru  
\*Scholarships Are Available!\*

## Timeline

**November 18:** Application deadline

**Spring 2012:** Weekend retreat in CO  
and 4 team conference calls

**July 8-17, 2012:** Expedition to Peru

**Fall 2012:** Conduct global citizenship  
project and tell your story!



# Peruvian Highlands Expedition Details

Leading the Way Peruvian Highlands is an unparalleled educational adventure. You'll dive into field science, community service, and cross-cultural experiences that will empower you and change your life forever. Here's how...

## Before you travel ...

A trip of a lifetime requires thoughtful preparation. You'll engage in team conference calls that cover topics such as responsible tourism, Quechua culture and service learning.

## While you travel ...

We value authentic, hands-on travel experiences. You'll explore the rich cultural and historical diversity of the Sacred Valley while learning more about your own leadership style and how you can make a difference in our world.

## After you travel ...

You'll harness the energy, knowledge, skills, and values you developed to carry out a global citizenship project back home. Your message of inspiration will help break down barriers between those with and without disabilities.

## What's included in the price?

All retreat costs including airfare. All expenses once you arrive in Lima, all meals, lodging, tents, sleeping bags, sleeping pads, ground transfers, taxes, tips for guides and other services, GEx t-shirts, journal, basic travel insurance, text-book(s), preparatory curriculum, year-long support, on-site Global Explorers Expedition Leader(s) during travel, and professional trekking guides.

### Not Included:

Airfare to/from Lima, Peru; any personal items; passport fees; and immunizations



## ..... Itinerary\*

### DAY 1

Travel to Lima, Peru. Overnight at a hotel.

### DAYS 2-3

Head to Cusco. Learn about the culture and explore the wondrous Sacred Valley.

### DAYS 4-6

Trek through the highlands. Highest point of trek is 13,830 feet.

### DAY 7

Pass through the famous Gate of the Sun to encounter Machu Picchu. Overnight at a nearby hotel.

### DAY 8

Explore Machu Picchu. Travel by train to Ollantaytambo. Overnight at the hotel in Cusco.

### DAYS 9-10

Fly from Cusco to Lima. Travel home.

\*Itinerary subject to change.



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