

Code of ethics

1. No sex with people from the area, either Tsimane' or non-Tsimane
2. No drinking of alcoholic beverages in the towns with indigenous peoples. Only drinking allowed is: **(a)** in the privacy of your home, **(b)** by yourselves in town, or **(c)** in public in the community when it is part of a communal event. Under no circumstance should researchers buy subjects an alcoholic drink.
3. No use of any illegal drugs.
4. Researchers should refrain from providing credit to subjects and never for more than 6 US \$ at a time to the same household (b\$50 Bolivianos). Debts (whether of money or of fuel) should all be repaid in cash or in commodities within one month. If debts are not repaid, no further loans to that household will be allowed. We will restrict credit to medical or other important emergencies.
5. Should someone in the community require emergency medical evacuation (even if unrelated to the project) the project should pay for it. We will request that the patient repay the costs incurred in the medical evacuation, but should the patient or her/his family refuse to repay or be unable to repay, we will cover the costs incurred.
6. Policies on stealing by subjects: ignore it unless the item stolen is very valuable; do not hold a grudge.
7. Policy on distribution of cigarettes and coca: do not distribute them to subjects.
8. If you break any of the above rules, the project reserves the right to dismiss you from the training at no extra cost to the project.
9. If for some reason you find that you want to leave the training program, you must return to the USA; that is, you cannot stay hanging around the town of San Borja or the region.