

SCOTLAND FIELD SCHOOL

**SUSTAINABILITY IN THE
CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK**

SPRING SEMESTER 2017

GNER 3101 AND 3301



GNED 3101 and 3301 are offered in the spring semester 2017.

In line with spring semester dates, the field trip is preceded by on-campus lectures starting May 3 and continuing, upon return from the field, until June 16.

Field trips to local Canadian conservation areas and parks is part of the curriculum

Course requirements for 3101 and 3301:

One course in Cluster 1 and One course in Cluster 3

Each instructor will determine the assignments that must be completed for credit for their course.



Where is the Cairngorms National Park ?

Why there?

Fourth aim: Mandate for Sustainability



**Cairngorms National Park
Partnership Plan 2017 – 2022
Consultation**
27 June – 30 September 2016

Environmental Sustainability



Landscape scale
conservation



Deer and moorland
management



Flood management



Visitor infrastructure and information – identifying priorities for investment



Active Cairngorms – encouraging the inactive to become active



Learning and inclusion – ensuring a Park for All

Social and Economic Sustainability



Housing – meeting housing needs



Community capacity and empowerment – targeting the places most in need



Economic development – infrastructure improvements, digital and transport connections

Draft Itinerary

The following is the draft itinerary for the 17 days of field-based learning in Scotland.

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| May 18 | Arrive St. Andrews | Meet up with students & instructors |
| May 19-21 | St. Andrews & area | Lectures Falkland Estate – tour of farm and castle |
| May 22 – 25 | Mar Lodge Estate | 2-day work project on Balmoral Estate Meet with park officials Guest speakers |
| May 26 – 28 | Aviemore | Day off Tourism and ski area management Guest speakers |
| May 29 – June 2 | Forest Lodge, Atholl | Meet rangers and estate managers Sustainable water system Guest Speakers Student presentations |
| June 3 | Drive to Edinburgh for return home | |



St. Andrews University: Lectures, visit Falkand Estate
B&B Accommodation



St. Andrews



Mar Lodge Estate



Accommodation in
the lodge and stable



Balmoral Estate: work party, distillery



Aviemore: Tourism, ski area, community rep.



Accommodation at the hostel.





Atholl Estate: Tourism, Water, deer and forest management



Accommodation at Forest Lodge

Guest speakers



Student Presentations

Program Costs

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| Program Fee (payable to MRU) | \$4374 |
| Tuition (Payable to MRU) | \$1150 |
| Airfare | \$1200 |
| Meals on your own = 6 lunches and 6 dinners | \$ 360 |
| Out of Country Health Insurance | \$ 50 |
| Passport | \$ 120 |
| Emergency funds | \$ 200 |
| Other (cell phone charges , incidentals) | \$ 100 |
| TOTAL | \$7554 |

Payments to MRU *NOT INCLUDING TUITION for 2 COURSES*

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| Deposit due December 16, 2016 | \$ 600 |
| Second Payment January 31, 2017 | \$1887 |
| Third Payment March 14, 2017 | \$1887 |

How do I apply?

1. Submit application no later than December 1, 2016 to the Office of International Education. Room EB 3021.
Contact: Trinda Guillet
The application process includes a short essay (<200 words) explaining why you are interested in these particular courses.
2. After December 1 you will be advised of your acceptance.
3. December 16, a deposit of \$600 is due

Students loan ? Apply with the students loans office once you have been accepted. Please advise Trinda that you will be applying for a loan.

Maximum 14 students

Questions ??

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