



England Travel Study Spring 2021:

"Exploring 'Nature' and American Nature Writing Origins in England"

Overview

In this course, students will explore the origins of our American nature writing tradition through a walking and literary tour of England. Students will hone their multi-cultural communication skills, rhetorical listening skills, close reading, analysis, and writing skills as they explore British nature writing traditions, past and present-- and how those traditions gave rise to nature writing and Ecocentrism in the U.S. Students will also learn about various genre conventions, the qualities of rhetorically effective writing through analysis and by composing their own nature writing and place portraits. In addition, students will read, research, analyze, and think critically about ancient and contemporary written alternatives to Anthropocentrism. Finally, we will discuss the future of nature writing in England and the U.S. by reading recent research on how time spent in the "natural" world positively affects cognition and creativity.



Location

London & Guildford

Term

Spring 2021

Duration

Spring Semester: Wed. 6:00pm

Travel: May 19 –29, 2021

Course Selection

English 491 - 3 credits

Language of Instruction

English

Eligibility

At least second-semester
Freshman standing, 2.5 GPA

Faculty approval

Program Application Deadline

Dec 11, 2020



Funding Your Program

After you apply to the program, apply for the **WI Grant and Scholarship** if eligible:
<http://www.uww.edu/international/globalexperiences/programs/financial-information>

Scholarship/Grant Deadline: Oct 15th

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Tentative International Academic Itinerary

- 5/19: Travel from Chicago to London
- 5/20: Group Breakfast, Visit Epping National Forest, Jubilee Pond, Wanstead Flats and Camden Market Hill
- 5/21: Group Breakfast, Visit Oxleas Wood and British Museum
- 5/22: Group Breakfast, Visit Lesnes Abbey Woods, and Buckingham Palace
- 5/23: Suggest Activities (on your own)
- 5/24: Group Breakfast, Travel to Guildford, Orientation, Visit Surrey Hills, Hike Newlands Corner, Visit Leith Hill Tower
- 5/25: Group Breakfast, Visit Surrey Hills, Holmbury Hill Fort, Waverly Abbey
- 5/26: Group Breakfast, Visit Surrey Hills, Frensham Pond, Hankley and Elstead Commons
- 5/27: Group Breakfast, Travel back to London, Orientation, Visit WWT London Wetland Center
- 5/28: Group Breakfast, Visit Greenwich Park, University College London and Farwell Dinner.
- 5/29: Depart London for Chicago



Passport and Visa Requirements*

-A United States passport valid for at least six months past the date of entry (no visa required)

*See the coordinator if not a US citizen (visa may be required)



Estimated Program Fee: TBD

Billed by UW-Whitewater	
Administrative Fee	\$225
Contingency Fee	\$50
Program Fee	TBD
Subtotal	TBD
Additional Estimated Expenses	
Transport to O' Hare	\$60
Non Group Meals	TBD
Recommended Immunizations: Influenza, Measles, Hepatitis A/B, Tetanus	\$150
Passport USA	\$150
Subtotal	660
Total*	TBD

*The estimated program fee is based on 14 paying participants. The actual program fee will be established mid-term when all participants have obtained legal travel documents. Estimated fee does not include recommended vaccinations.