

Maine, USA

HEALTH CARE, THE ENVIRONMENT AND
MEDICAL HUMANITIES ON ACADIA
NATIONAL PARK AND BAR HARBOR, MAINE
JUNE 18–JULY 15, 2012

Application Deadline

Early Decision

January 31, 2012

Regular Decision

February 29, 2012

Application Information:

Submit directly to
Prof. Rick Mayes,
Department of Political
Science,
Weinstein 202M

Cost

Approximately \$3,225

Payment Schedule

- Non-refundable
\$150 deposit due
February 29, 2012.
- First payment due
March 15, 2012
- Final payment due
April 15, 2012

Program Director:

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Program

This summer
study program
in Acadia
National Park
and Bar Harbor,
Maine, focuses
on health care
policy (doctors,
disease, hospi-
tals, health
insurance,



pharmaceuticals, etc.) and environmental public health. As the first class explains, over the past 150 years, major breakthroughs in public health and medicine have enabled humans to live longer, healthier and more productive lives. Clean drinking water, modern sanitation and good nutrition—along with the development of highly effective vaccines and antibiotics—have increased average western life expectancy by an unprecedented 35 years. Yet our nation's health care system is the costliest in the world and in serious need of reform. The program also explores the integral relationship between human well-being and our physical and social environment. We will explore a number of major environmental issues and policies that affect public health, such as air quality/pollution, water quality/pollution, agricultural practices and more. The class will also teach students how to enjoy a healthy outdoors lifestyle in one of the country's most beautiful national parks.





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Details:

This program runs 4 weeks from June 18 to July 15, 2012. It includes 1.5 units of UR academic credit with PLSC 365 "U.S. Health Care Policy" (1 unit) and PLSC 390 "Environmental Global Health" (0.5 units). Both courses count for elective Political Science and Medical Humanities/Health Care & Society credit. Approximate cost: \$3,150. Each student MUST bring or rent a bike. Have any questions or want additional information? Please email Prof. Mayes at bmayer@richmond.edu

Courses (2)

PLSC 365 "U.S. Health Care Policy" (1 unit)

PLSC 390 "Environmental Global Health" (0.5 units)

Activities Included:

- hiking, Ranger tours of Acadia National Park
- biking, sea kayaking and trips to local islands
- visit The Jackson Lab
(a leading Genetics Research Firm)
- housing, daily buffet breakfast
- lobster picnic and lobster fishing boat tour



All dates and costs are approximate and subject to change as are program details. The University of Richmond reserves the right to alter the program costs as a result of fluctuations of international currency.



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