

# 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](mailto: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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