

# KENYA SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## Study Abroad Course, Summer 2023

### **The Kenya experience is divided into two components (three for CNR SFE students):**

- 1) Spring Seminar, 1 credit: NRES 475/675

Mondays, 4-5:50pm, starting the Monday after spring break (8 weeks)

This orientation provides background information to help prepare students for the Kenya experience. It also provides an opportunity for students to get to know each other and to prepare logistically for the trip. This seminar is required for all students traveling to Kenya.

- 2) Kenya Sustainable Natural Resources Study Abroad course, 3 credits: NRES 475/675

Dates: 3 weeks, starting the beginning of June

During this course we travel throughout the country of Kenya, going from very arid, to humid tropical environments. We work directly with people living in rural communities of several Kenyan cultures, working on projects related to water, soil, agriculture, energy, and waste management.

- 3) CNR Summer Field Experience (SFE) only, Central Wisconsin Environmental Station, 2 credits: NRES 475/675

Dates: 2 weeks immediately following the spring semester

CNR students participating in Kenya to satisfy their SFE requirement will attend a 2-week summer field course at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station in Amherst Junction, WI. This field course will provide students with essential field techniques in forestry, soils, water, wildlife, and plant identification.

### **Participants:**

#### Leaders:

- 1) Dr. Holly Petrillo, Professor of Forestry, UWSP
- 2) John Sheffy, Agroforestry consultant

#### Students:

The Kenya study abroad course is open to students of any major. Both undergraduates and graduate students may participate. Some students are able to complete the Kenya course and spring seminar as part of their Summer Field Experience.

**Estimated Program Costs:**

Program costs listed in this document are an estimate, and are based on past years. The final cost may vary due to multiple factors, such as the number of students participating, program changes, fuel prices, and currency exchange rate fluctuations. Program costs will not be finalized until May 2023.

**Summer 2023 Estimated Program Costs (based on 2022 costs)**

	WI Resident Undergraduate	MN Resident Undergraduate	Midwest Student Exchange	Non-Resident Undergraduate
Kenya study abroad fee*	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000

**For CNE SFE students only:**

CWES 2-week food & lodging	\$685	\$685	\$685	\$685
CWES 2 credit tuition & course fees	\$770	\$815	\$1,010	\$1,460

\*Kenya study abroad fee includes 3 credits of tuition, airfare, and all expenses while in Kenya: ground transportation, food, lodging (camping)

**Financial Aid:**

Students may apply for financial aid to study abroad. The UWSP Office of International Education is available to help students with the financial aid process. Scholarships are also available on the UWSP Office of International Education website. CNR students are also available for CNR scholarships through the general CNR scholarship application.

**Application Process:**

1. Fill out the pre-application at this link:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rUucIBTfckGH3wYPhPAaEX1fXLy2aPtLv-g\\_yc6eviIURTRSMkJYVEIUOUkxMThDM0YyMFFPTzZBSC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rUucIBTfckGH3wYPhPAaEX1fXLy2aPtLv-g_yc6eviIURTRSMkJYVEIUOUkxMThDM0YyMFFPTzZBSC4u)

**Pre-application deadline: Oct 31, 2022 at 11:59pm**

2. Once accepted (you will be notified by email by Nov 7) through the pre-application, you will be required to fill out to complete a full application through the Office of International Education by December 1. See 'deadlines' below for more information.

**Selection process & criteria:**

1. GPA of at least 2.0 overall.
2. Space is limited. Generally, students are accepted on a first come, first-served basis.  
Students graduating in spring or summer 2023 will be prioritized as long as they meet the GPA requirement and their application is accepted through the Office of International Education.
3. Students wanting to go to Kenya to fulfill part of their SFE requirement will generally be served on a first come, first-served basis. Students graduating in spring or summer 2023 will be prioritized as long as they meet the GPA requirement and their application is accepted through the Office of International Education. If SFE spots fill for 2023, you will be guaranteed a SFE spot for Kenya 2024 as long as you stay in good academic standard.
4. Pass a campus and criminal background check after you are tentatively accepted.
5. All students need to pass the Kenya spring seminar to participate in the study abroad portion of the program.

**Deadlines:**

Oct 31, 11:59pm            Kenya pre-application due, available at this link:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rUucIBTfckGH3wYPhPAaEX1fXLy2aPtLv-g\\_yc6evIIURTRSMkJYVEIUOUkxMThDM0YyMFFPTzZBSC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rUucIBTfckGH3wYPhPAaEX1fXLy2aPtLv-g_yc6evIIURTRSMkJYVEIUOUkxMThDM0YyMFFPTzZBSC4u)

Nov 7, 2022                Notification of tentative acceptance via email and electronic permission to register for NRES 475 (spring seminar)

Nov 15, 2022              **Passports need to be applied for, no exceptions.**

Apply for a passport through the US Department of State at

<http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english.html>. DO NOT DELAY! Once you obtain your passport, bring a copy of the photo identification page to the UWSP Office of International Education. If you already have a passport, it must be valid six months AFTER your return date (January 2024). If you need assistance, visit the UWSP Office of International Education.

Registration Period      Register for NRES 475/675, 1 credit, Kenya spring seminar on your scheduled spring 2023 registration time- Dr. Petrillo will grant you permission to register

December 1, 2023      Formal application DUE to the UWSP Office of International Education

Dec 20, 2023      The \$100 application fee and \$500 non-refundable (but transferable) initial deposit are due through the Financial Services office. All fees must be paid prior to departure.

Proof of vaccination uploaded via the standard university channel on/before December 1.

**For more information:**

General information about the Kenya study abroad program, or about counting Kenya for your CNR SFE requirement:

Dr. Holly Petrillo, UWSP Professor of Forestry, TNR 363, [hpetrill@uwsp.edu](mailto:hpetrill@uwsp.edu)

Financial aid and scholarship information:

UWSP Office of International Education, DUC 203, 715.346.2717

For questions about CWES:

CNR Student Success Center, TNR 122, 715.346.4081, [cnrssc@uwsp.edu](mailto:cnrssc@uwsp.edu)