

School of Arts & Sciences Program Learning Outcomes

From: AY18 Assessment Plan

Department: Humanities

Program Groups: Outdoor Studies

Degree: Certificate, Outdoor Skills & Leadership; BLA Outdoor and Adventure Studies; Geography & Environmental Studies

Students who complete any of the Outdoor Studies programs will:

1. Develop skills required to participate in a wide range of outdoor activities and act as a group leader/entry level professional in some of those activities.
2. Be able to intelligently discuss and write about important academic and intellectual approaches to understanding human relationships to the natural world.
3. Understand the general theoretical foundations of outdoor leadership and education and be able to apply their understanding in leadership situations.
4. Have the ability to plan and execute significant trips in outdoor settings.
5. Develop their capacity to manage and lead groups in outdoor settings.

Students who complete the Outdoor and Adventure Studies BLA will additionally:

6. Be able to integrate their intellectual understanding of outdoor leisure and recreation into a larger view developed through their completion of the Liberal Arts program. As well, they will develop the ability to plan and execute significant multi-week expeditions.

Students who complete the Geography and Environmental Studies program will additionally:

7. Be able to integrate their understanding of understanding of outdoor leisure and recreation with their understanding of geography and environmental studies. As well, they will develop the ability to plan and execute significant multi-week expeditions.