Summer X Block
A Balancing Act: Creating A Sustainable Management Plan for the Madison River
ENSC 194B: Topics in Environmental Sustainability | 4 Credits

Some say the Madison is being ‘loved to death’ as the number of anglers has more than doubled over the past decade. In response, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation are imposing new regulations to balance the protection of the river and fish populations with recreational use of the river. These regulations are controversial in the fishing community. In this class, we’ll be

- Working to understand how the river and its use are changing regarding: commercial and recreational use, ecological integrity and fish health, as well as water supply and quality;
- Exploring the social and ecological benefits and drawbacks of the proposed regulations from different perspectives; and
- Devising our own sustainability management plan for the Madison River based on our findings.

Instructor: Professor Arica Crootof
Gen Ed designation: Natural Science; class can sub for ENSC 121.

Course dates: May 3 - May 21, 2021
Course Meeting Time: 8:15-3:15

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EDEC 247: Ideas Worth Spreading- The Importance of Child Growth and Development on…Everything

Have you ever taken time to explore the impact of childhood and development on your brain and your life? This course will look at the stages of development from birth through adolescents through observations and activities, highlighting important impacts on our daily lives and culminating in a “TEDx” like event. If you might be interested in working with children or simply would like to gain a better understanding of yourself, this course provides a great introduction to the field of education and meets your General Education requirement in the Social Sciences. 4 credits.

Instructor: Professor Nanci Red Bird
Gen Ed designation: Social Sciences

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This class will look at the history of world pandemics through time. An examination of how past societies have confronted plague, cholera, typhoid, and smallpox pandemics gives us a better understanding of the challenges experienced by Montanans during the Covid-19 pandemic. Using the comparative lens of history, students will examine the response of Beaverhead County’s medical professionals, of local government, and of local businesses and essential workers to Covid-19. 4 credits.

Instructor: Professor Bill Janus
Gen Ed designation: History.

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Course Meeting Time: 8:15-11:45

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This course seeks to give students an experience in both one of the classic themes of social and political theory – the social contract – as well as the visual analysis of popular culture as practiced in the social sciences and the humanities. In order to make the topic both manageable and relevant, the touchstone of the course will be one of the most critically acclaimed television series of the new millennium – HBO’s Deadwood. In order to give students opportunities to apply this conceptual learning experientially, the class will read from the three canonical texts in the social contract tradition: Hobbes’ Leviathan, Locke’s Two Treatises of Government, and Rousseau’s The Social Contract. 4 credits.

Instructor: Professor Sean Eudaily
Gen Ed designation: Behavioral & Social Sciences

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Course Meeting Time: 11:45-3:15

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REC 391: Backcountry Skills & Leadership for Outdoor Professions

and

BMGT 343: Managing a Guide and Outfitting Business

Instructor: Rocky Crandell

REC 391: A class focusing on the core skills of becoming proficient and comfortable in the backcountry. Skills like, winter sustainment/survival, horse and mule packing, basic wilderness trauma medicine/search and rescue etiquette. Students will engage with experienced subject matter experts who have worked in the industry and understand the backcountry, client needs, employer needs and first responder needs. 2 credits.

Designed for G&O students as well as working professionals.

Course dates: May 1 – May 9, 2021
Course Meeting Time: 8:00-4:30

BMGT 343: This course will cover a variety of current topics that affect the Outdoor Guide and Wildlife Outfitter Industry. These topics include but are not limited to regulations, permits, ethics, natural resource conflicts, challenges in the industry, and establishing and managing small guide and outfitter businesses. 2 credits.

Required in the G&O management minor.

Course dates: May 10 - May 21, 2021
Course Meeting Time: 12:15-3:30

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ECP 100: First Aid & CPR

ACT 102: Recreational Activities

Instructor: Dr. Janelle Handlos

ECP 100: Need CPR certification for TEP or your summer job? Here is your opportunity to do so while earning another credit during XBlock!

Earn Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED and First Aid certification through the National Safety Council. This course satisfies the certification requirements of the Teacher Education Program! 1 credit

Course dates: May 3 - May 21, 2021
Tuesdays & Thursdays during XBlock 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

ACT 102: Get out and enjoy the beautiful Montana spring weather! This class will participate in recreational activities selected by the students and instructor. Activities will be selected to accommodate the weather and can range from kayaking to geocaching to a low ropes course.

This is your chance to learn more about Southwestern Montana’s outdoor activities. All physical abilities, skill and confidence levels welcome! 1 credit

Course dates: May 3 - May 21, 2021
Saturdays during XBlock 10:00 am- 3:00 pm

*Financial Aid is available for summer; contact the Financial Aid Office for details and to see if you qualify 406-683-7511. As always, to be eligible for federal financial aid, the credits taken must count toward your degree program. In some instances, 6 credits are required to be eligible for financial aid. If you plan to take one 4-credit course you could also enroll in (a) another 4 credit course (b) enroll in two 1-credit courses offering in the X-block or (c) complete a summer internship for 2 or more credits.

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