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(subject to change)

DAY 1 – Arrive in Christ Church, NZ
DAY 2 and 3 – orientation, guided tours in Christ Church
DAY 4 – Day-long field trip to Banks Peninsula
DAY 5 - Lectures and museum visits
DAYS 6 – 20- depart for Mt. Cook and begin tour by road through the South Island visiting the Mt. Cook, Queenstown, Milford Sound, Fox Glacier, the wild and rocky west coast, the north end of the South Island to visit the Abel Tasman National Park, and the dolphins and whales of the Kaikoura area.
DAY 21 – Return to Christ Church
DAY 22 - Depart and arrive in the US

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Sustaining Human Society and the Natural Environment in New Zealand

Wintermester
December 26, 2012
January 18, 2013.

6 credits—spring 2013
Course objectives
By the end of the program you will:

- Understand the natural history, biogeography, ecological diversity, and related social and cultural contexts of New Zealand through an exploration of the South Island’s network of national parks and protected areas, which encompass rainforests, glaciers, mountains, coastlines, marine reserves, and offshore islands;

- Understand the impacts of human actions on the natural systems, and human responses to those changes, using the case of New Zealand’s South Island;

- Develop an understanding of ecological education practices, integrated natural resource management, and conservation actions throughout New Zealand’s South Island;

- Address relationships between human societies and their natural environments from multiple disciplinary perspectives and to develop a complex, multi-faceted and holistic view of human – environment connections that cross traditional disciplinary boundaries.

Credit
Register for a total of 6 semester credits for the spring 2013 semester at Virginia Tech at either the undergraduate or graduate level. Register for GEOG 3954 (for undergraduate credit) or GEOG 5954 (for graduate credit.) All courses are named “Sustaining Human Societies and the Natural Environment – New Zealand”. Regardless of which course you register for, all students will receive the same course material.

Ask your advisor about applying these credits towards CLE areas 2, 3, or 7 or for the Green Engineering Minor. Supplemental course option available for Biological Science majors (6 upper-level biology credits with one lecture-lab link).

Virginia Tech students seeking graduate credit in this program are required to produce a capstone paper (at graduate standards) following the completion of this program. The subject and timing for submission will be determined by the VT faculty in charge. Graduate students will be required to contact the instructor in advance of the course to set up the requirements and timeline of this assignment.

Approximate Costs:

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* or less depending on numbers of students on the trip
** some meals are included in NZ. This estimate is for those that are not.
*** based on fares found 9-14-11 between DC and Roanoke and LAX
**** tuition is for spring 2013, if a full time student, there is no additional tuition above 12 hours.