

# SUMMER Abroad

## Northern Nature and Environment Studies

Northern ecosystems and the fauna, flora, vegetation as well as physical and human geography of Finland and Northern Scandinavia

### LOCATION University of Oulu

Oulu is the largest and most important city in Northern Finland and the sixth largest city in the country. Even though north of the Arctic circle, the climate is surprisingly moderate, thanks to the warmth brought by the Gulf Stream. And the summer months, you will have the opportunity to see the midnight sun- sun shining for 24 hours! The University of Oulu

### PROGRAM DETAILS

This program, arranged by the Faculty of Science, provides a solid introduction to the northern ecosystems and their functioning, and the fauna, flora, vegetation of Finland and Northern Scandinavia. Presenting nature and its biodiversity, and genetic adaptation to the north, the program consists of lectures, courses and seminars held in Oulu and field courses arranged at the University's research station in Northern Finland.

In summer various field courses teach the identification of plants and animals in their natural habitats. The botany and zoology field courses take place in two different centres: one just outside Oulu on the Island of Hailuoto; and one at the Oulanka Research Station, situated in the Oulanka National Park close to the Finnish-Russian border and about 20 km south of the Arctic Circle.

On the field courses students are accommodated in the comfortable quarters of the field stations and they can take full advantage of the opportunity to explore the surrounding countryside. The long summer nights of Northern Finland, when the midnight sun never sets, are an experience you will never forget.

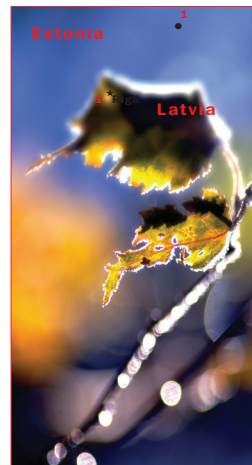
### COURSES AND CREDITS

Participants collect 15-45 ECTS (10-30 US credits) from the different subject areas according to their own interests and periods of stay

- Field courses in Terrestrial Animals and Birds (751306A) (2 ECTS/ 1 US credit)(4 ECTS / 2,5 US credits)
- Field course in Aquatic Animals (751307A) (5 ECTS / 2,5 US credits)
- Field course in Ecology Botany (752304A) (7,5 ECTS / 5 US credits)

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### HOUSING/MEALS

[http://www oulu.fi/intl/exchange\\_students/housing.htm](http://www oulu.fi/intl/exchange_students/housing.htm)

### DATES

May 25–August 13, 2009

### ISEP-EXCHANGE

Cost is based on tuition, housing and meals at your home university. \$345 fee to ISEP.

### DEADLINE

February 1, 2009



### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The Oulanka Research Station web site <http://cc oulu.fi/~oba/indexe.html>
- University of Oulu, Department of Biology: <http://cc oulu.fi/~biolwww/english/Welcome.html>

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