



STUNNING VISTAS:

As soon as you enter the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, you'll understand why it inspired our national parks. The landscape's singular beauty, abundance of wildlife, and fascinating thermal features combine to make this high-altitude plateau a unique and extraordinary ecosystem. While you're here, you'll gain access to research projects within the park.

YOUR FIELD WORK:

Welcome to the ideal setting for immersion in wildlife, mountains, rivers, and forests. EPI's instructors will be your guides, escorting you through the wild surroundings and introducing you to the forces that shape them. By the end of your course, you'll have a strong understanding of the complex conservation issues facing the region and an in-depth knowledge of one of the park's most charismatic ungulates—bison!

ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME EXPERIENCE:

With EPI, students partner with the National Park Service on ongoing research projects. You'll spend the week in and around Yellowstone National Park, where park scientists will work with you on habitat restoration and bison grazing projects. You'll observe the park's famous Lamar Valley wolf packs and fantastic thermal features, and on your last day, you'll take a celebratory rafting trip on the Yellowstone River!

YELLOWSTONE WILDLIFE ECOLOGY

HIGHLIGHTS



SURVEY WILDLIFE FROM
BISON TO WOLVES



EXPLORE YELLOWSTONE'S
ONE-OF-A-KIND ECOSYSTEM



RAFT THE INCREDIBLE YELLOW-
STONE RIVER

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ECOLOGY PROJECT
INTERNATIONAL

Day 1: ARRIVE IN BOZEMAN, MONTANA

- Get to know your instructor team
- Set up your camp on the edge of Yellowstone National Park
- Learn about projects you'll contribute to this week

Days 2-6: WILDLIFE TRACKING & DATA COLLECTION

- Remove fencing & invasive plants to enhance wildlife habitat and migration
- Collect data for Yellowstone National Park's bison team
- Monitor amphibians across the Custer-Gallatin National Forest
- Learn Leave No Trace camping techniques
- Camp under the stars of Montana's Big Sky Country

Day 7: EXPLORE GEOTHERMAL FEATURES & OBSERVE WOLVES

- Observe wolves in the amazing Lamar Valley with a wolf education specialist from the park
- Visit Yellowstone's geothermal features, including geysers, mud pots, and colored pools
- Hike the park's beautiful trails

Day 8: RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS & COURSE GRADUATION

- Raft the rapids of one of the West's most storied rivers
- Celebrate your completed course and the hard work you've done

Day 9: DEPART YELLOWSTONE



Length	Research & Service Hours	Coursework Hours	Focus
9 Days	20	30	conservation biology, wildlands management, scientific process