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APPLICATIONS SOUGHT FOR WILDERNESS AND CIVILIZATION PROGRAM

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Applications are now being accepted for the 2005-06 Wilderness and Civilization Program at The University of Montana.

Students interested in a wilderness studies minor can apply for this two-semester program that integrates classroom learning and field studies. Those in the program travel throughout western Montana in a series of field trips held each Friday during the semester. Trips to Yellowstone National park, the Yaak Valley and Flathead Reservation are planned. Two 10-day field trips are held each semester. In autumn, students travel to the Bob Marshall Wilderness and in the spring float down the wild and scenic section of the Missouri River.

Aside from classroom and field study, students are required to participate in an internship and service project. The internship is worth two credits. Students are asked to work six hours per week at their internship during spring semester and write a final paper about the experience when the internship concludes.

Upon completion of the program students receive a minor in wilderness studies. Students of any major can apply for the program. The application deadline is April 1.

There is a \$250 fee in addition to tuition per semester for taking the class. Students

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receive 14 to 16 credits per semester. The program is open to all UM sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Scholarships are available. Students who want more information on financial assistance for the program can call 243-5361 or e-mail the Wilderness Institute at wi@forestry.umt.edu.

Students interested in applying for the program can visit www.forestry.umt/wc to download an application or stop by the Wilderness Institute located in Main Hall Room 303. A maximum of 25 students are accepted into the program.

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