Extended Study to Western Australia


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On-campus linked course: GEOG 319, Population and Environment, Spring 2017

Tentative travel dates: May 27-June 18, 2017

Course credit: .05 credits

Prerequisites: GEOG 319, Population and Environment, Spring 2017

Application deadline: November 4, 2016

Applications: online at www.colgate.edu/academics/off-campus-study/extended-study/extended-study-application

INFORMATION SESSIONS:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 7 PM,
AND THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 7PM, IN 328 HO SCIENCE CENTER

Overview

The goal of this half-credit extended study course is to address issues of both population vulnerabilities and cultural resilience by considering Aborigines in Australia, and specifically engaging the historical geography and the contemporary experience of the Noongar community in Western Australia.

Three themes form the curricular program of the extended study. 1) Students study the historical geography of Aborigines in Australia within the context of European colonization and settlement, federation and nation-building. These issues are framed using concepts of population vulnerability, environmental impact, and cultural heritage and identity at the national, regional and local geographic scales. 2) Students study the impacts of national, regional, and local policies directed toward indigenous peoples on Aboriginal families and children, given particular focus to programs concerning part-Aboriginal children, Australia’s “Stolen Generations.” 3) Students learn the ways in which Aboriginal culture and “care for country” has remained resilient across time, space, and generations.

Permission of the instructor is required for this course. The course is cross-listed as PCON 327.

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