Highlands Field Site
AT THE HIGHLANDS BIOLOGICAL STATION
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
About the Highlands Field Site

Located in the town of Highlands, N.C. (elevation 4,118 feet), the Highlands Biological Station (HBS) is well equipped for scientific investigations and education, with modern classrooms, GIS lab, wet labs, a seminar room and library. The 23-acre campus is a short walk from downtown Highlands. Students live in a restored home on the HBS campus. The site specializes in biodiversity, watershed science and headwaters conservation using the Blue Ridge Escarpment as an outdoor lab and classroom for field study and exploration from ridgetops to rivers.

The Institute for the Environment’s field site program is coordinated through the Study Abroad Office of the College of Arts and Sciences in partnership with the Curriculum for the Environment and Ecology.

Location
Highlands Biological Station

Timing
Fall semester

Coursework
- ENEC 204 Southern Appalachian Environmental + Cultural History
- ENEC 256 Human Impacts in the Southern Appalachian
- ENEC 264 Special Topics: Effective science communication/Communicating Science in the Anthropocene
- ENEC 395 Research in Environmental Science and Studies
- ENEC 479 Remote Sensing and Landscape Analysis
- ENEC 698 Capstone: Analysis and Solution of Environmental Problems

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