

**UMD-Winter: New Zealand: Sustainable Transformation and Adaptation: Culture and Earth (LARC/HONR)**  
Auckland, New Zealand; Queenstown, New Zealand; Rotorua, New Zealand; Waitangi, New Zealand (Outgoing Program)  
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Program Terms:

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**Credit Type:** Resident Credit

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Class Eligibility:** Freshman, Graduate  
Student, Junior, Senior,  
Sophomore

**Minimum GPA:** 2.75

**Non-UMD students eligible to apply:** Yes

**Graduate students eligible to apply:** Yes

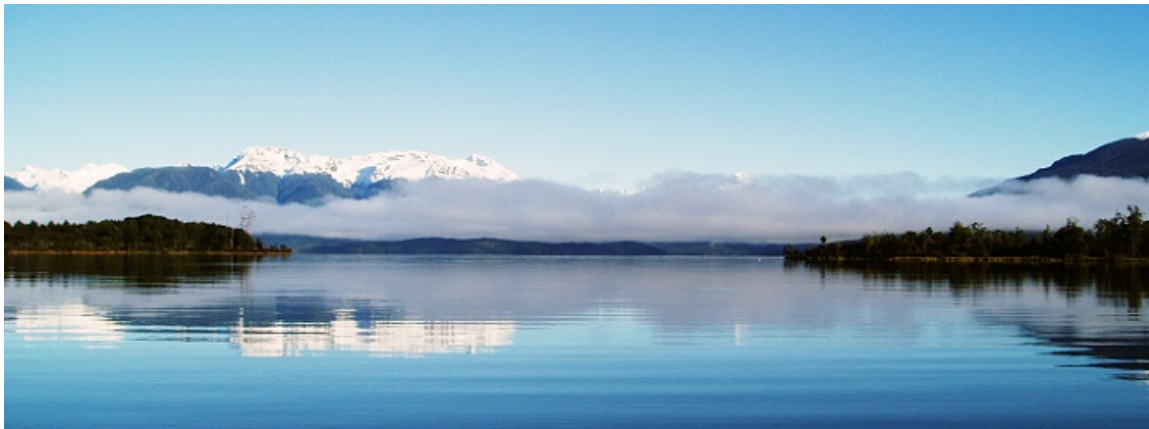
**Housing Options:** Hotel/hostel

**EA Advisor:** EA Short-term Advising

Program Description:

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Investigate New Zealand through the study of sustainable natural and cultural systems in this course sponsored by the Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture. You will receive instruction in the practice of field sketching and recording field notes and observations during the course and as you travel with the program group throughout the South and North Islands of New Zealand. In addition, you will be afforded opportunities to explore local natural and cultural systems through tours to historic sites, monumental structures, art and artifact museums, aboriginal settlements, natural wonders, and environmental restorations. Hiking mountains and unspoiled scenic terrain is a major component of the course.

You must be in good academic and judicial standing and you must not have any registration blocks to participate in this program. The minimum GPA for this program is listed above.

All UMD and non-UMD freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students are eligible to apply.

If you are interested in this program but do not meet the eligibility requirements, reach out to the program director (listed in the Contacts tab) to discuss your interest in the program.

After you commit to the program, Education Abroad will enroll you in one of the following three (3) credit UMD courses:

- LARC489N: Special Topics in Landscape Architecture: Sustainable Culture and Earth: Transformation and Adaptation-New Zealand
- HONR348N: Special Topics in Landscape Architecture: Sustainable Culture and Earth: Transformation and Adaptation-New Zealand

The credit you earn during this program will count as [resident credit](#).

Prior to departure you are required to attend several meetings to set expectations, receive and understand research assignments, and prepare for the program. You will be assigned a research topic related to a site, region, icon, or cultural setting and then independently conduct your research, cite references, and deliver a report on site. Upon return you will be required to complete a 10 page research paper on a topic investigated during our travels.

You will stay in hostels and hotels in shared room assignments. All of the residences have cooking facilities and you will be encouraged to participate in group meals that foster cooperation and interaction with locals and fellow travelers.

Costs are current for winter 2020.

<b>Application Fee</b>	\$50
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**Billable Costs**

Billable costs are charged to your student account. They are due based on the [Bursar's payment schedule](#). Be sure to check your statements when they are available.

<b>Education Abroad Fee</b>	\$500
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This fee is charged to your account when the application status changes from "Accepted" to "Committed." This fee includes Education Abroad services including registration, billing, advising, risk management, and pre-departure orientation.

<b><a href="#">International Health Insurance</a></b>	\$45
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<b>Tuition</b>	\$2,740
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This fee is charged to your UMD account upon course registration. This fee includes: Tuition, in-country transportation, course related activities, group meals, and teaching services.

<b>Housing Fee</b>	\$500
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This fee represents the housing provided during the program.

<b><u>TOTAL PROGRAM FEE</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,785</u></b>
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**Out-of-pocket Costs**

Meals (estimate)	\$150
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Visa	\$0
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Passport	\$145
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Roundtrip Airfare (estimate)	\$2,700
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Course Materials	\$40
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Optional Activities/incidental expenses	\$250
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Optional trip cancellation/interruption Insurance (estimate)	\$180
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<b><u>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	<b><u>\$7,300</u></b>
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NOTE: If you are a non-UMD graduate student, you will need to pay a \$75 application fee to the UMD graduate school to participate in this program.

Please refer to the following resources for more information on funding study abroad

- [Financial Aid](#)
- [Scholarships](#)
- [Financial Policies](#)

**PLEASE NOTE:** All University of Maryland study abroad programs are financially self-supporting and, therefore, subject to cancellation due to low enrollment.

[Dennis Nola](#) has been teaching at UMD since 1987. He has not lost his enthusiasm for learning, sharing, and shaping the lives of

young people. He has traveled to New Zealand many times and has family there. His background is as a Landscape Architect and educator. An Ecology/ Soils specialist co-instructs this course. Dennis has designed environmental restoration and site planning projects all over the world and many locally including on our own campus. The natural beauty and culture of New Zealand fascinates him and he has designed a program that maximizes your exposure and learning to better understanding sustainability from a natural systems perspective.

For course, itinerary or in-country information, please contact the Program Director. For general questions or assistance with applying, contact [EA Short-term Programs](#).

As a part of this program, you will engage in the following activities:

- Classes in observation recording and field notes
- Professionally guided exploration of glaciers, rivers, caves, sounds, volcanoes, museums, cultural exhibits and farms
- Opportunities such as kayaking the Milford Sound, hiking mountain and glacial lakes, and a tour of Maori villages
- Visits to volcano parks, the movie set of Hobbiton at Matamata, the Waitomo glow worm caves, and a ride on a steamship across Lake Wakitipu to a sustainable, free-range sheep station
- Hike the Tongarino Crossing over three active volcanoes, a redwood forest and relax in a geo-thermal creek

Dates / Deadlines: - unrelated header

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Tabular data for Dates / Deadlines:

<b>Term</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Last Day to Apply</b>	<b>Decision Date</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
Winterterm	2020	10/01/2019	10/11/2019	12/27/2019	01/13/2020

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