

Field Courses are a great academic and hands-on opportunity!

Are you interested in taking (for credit) a field course (BIOD67H) and ready to shake up your routine university learning experience? Take advantage of the Ontario Universities program in Field Biology (OUPFB). Its vast selection of field course locations include Ontario, the whole of Canada, and abroad. Field courses include many different disciplines spanning from field ornithology, forest ecology or urban pollinator diversity to tropical research, coral reef biology and dolphin and whale biology.

How to Apply

Visit the EEB field course website for more information http://www.eeb.utoronto.ca/Learning/u-courses/field_courses.htm. Please find this year's selection of field courses under <http://www.oupfb.ca/info.html>. To apply, submit an OUPFB field course application and deposit a cheque (\$250) to the EEB Undergraduate Office, St. George campus, Earth Sciences Centre, Rm 3055B. You cannot add BIOD67H yourself on ROSI. After applying, if you are successfully placed in a module, the course will be added on ROSI by UTSC.

Steps after Submitting the Deposit

Once you have submitted your deposit with your application, the coordinator will go over all of the applications and try best to enroll you into the field course module of your choice. You will be contacted in a timely manner regarding the result of your admission into the module. If you have any questions about the timing of this process or related issues, please contact the EEB Undergraduate Office at undergrad.eeb@utoronto.ca. Please be aware that if you should not get into the field course module of your first choice, the coordinator will choose one of your alternatives (please indicate them on the application).

Field course sessions and posting of grades

You will be registered in the session of the field course offered (i.e., if it offered in May, you will be registered during the summer term). However, sometimes grades are not processed during that session because written assignments may be due after the field course, which also need time for grading. For example, if you want to take a field course in August and are registered during the summer term, we may not be able to post a grade until the end of the fall session, if this is a concern for you, or you are looking to convocate in November, you may not want to take that particular field course.

Added Costs

Note that the field course fee (including room and board) does not include tuition. You will be billed for tuition in the session the field course is offered once you are added to the course.

Do you need help to decide whether taking a field course is right for you?

If you are unsure whether taking a field course is right for you (it most likely is...) and would like to get advice on the nature of the field courses in general or particular, please don't hesitate to contact me, Ivana Stehlik (ivana.stehlik@utoronto.ca) in my role as the UTSC OUPFB advisor.