



BISHOP HEBER COLLEGE

(AUTONOMOUS)

TIRUCHIRAPPALLI - 620017



PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

NAAC A++ | CGPA 3.69 out of 4 | Recognized by UGC as 'College of Excellence'

Field Course in India for International Students

ECOLOGY OF INDIAN TROPICS

Experience India's tropical ecosystems through field learning

Explore the rich biodiversity and ecological diversity of South India and the Andaman & Nicobar Islands through an immersive, field-based learning experience.



COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

- Field immersion in mangroves, coral reefs, littoral forests, scrublands, deciduous forests, shola-grassland mosaics, and tropical evergreen forests.
- Study of ecological structure, species-habitat relationships, biodiversity patterns, and conservation challenges.
- Hands-on training in species identification, ecological observation, and field documentation.
- Interactive lectures on Indian biodiversity, coastal and island ecology, forest ecosystems, conservation biology, and human-wildlife conflict.



FIELD SITES

- Andaman & Nicobar Islands
- Point Calimere Bird and Wildlife Sanctuary
- Anamalai, Mudumalai, Bandipur, Nagarhole, Wayanad, and Parambikulam Tiger Reserves
- Optional sites in North or Northeast India, based on course design



COURSE DURATION

- 15 / 20 Days
- 15 Days: South India (Mainland)
- 20 Days: Includes Andaman & Nicobar Islands
- Flexible scheduling between November and January



LEARNING EXPERIENCE

- Field visits and ecological surveys
- Expert lectures and discussions
- Cultural exposure and local interactions
- Final presentation and field journal submission



EVALUATION

- Field participation
- Logbook / journal
- Group presentation
- Written report or case study



COURSE FEES (STUDENTS)

- South Asia: USD 80 per person per day
- Europe & USA: USD 100 per person per day
- One Faculty member attends free for group of 12.



FEE INCLUDES

Local travel, accommodation, meals, park entry, permissions, and honorarium.



FEE EXCLUDES

International travel, flights to Andaman, visa charges, and personal/medical expenses.



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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING EXPOSURE FOR THE STUDENTS



Mangrove Ecosystems



Tropical Forests



Wetlands & Birdlife



Community Interactions



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CULTURE, ECOLOGY, AND SUSTAINABILITY

Exploring Rural and Indigenous Environmental Practices

A field-based course for international students to experience rural India, community-based sustainability, and indigenous environmental wisdom.

This course offers immersive learning across villages, tribal landscapes, and ecologically significant sites in South India. Through field visits, lectures, community interaction, and practical exercises, students will explore how culture, religion, biodiversity, and sustainability are interconnected in Indian rural life.



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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Participants will gain skills in:
- Rural environmental assessment.
 - Community-based data collection.
 - Biodiversity documentation.
 - Sustainable resource management.
 - Traditional Ecological Knowledge and indigenous conservation practices.
 - Developing a village-level sustainability management plan.

PROPOSED FIELD SITES

- Selected adopted villages of Bishop Heber College
- Bishop Heber College Campus
- Pachamalai Hills, Thuraiyur
- Mudumalai Tiger Reserve
- Anamalai Tiger Reserve

COURSE DURATION

15 Days

Customizable based on academic needs and field site selection.

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- Logbook / journal
- Group presentation
- Written report / case study
- Research and data recording skills.

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FEE INCLUDES

- Local travel
- Accommodation
- Food
- Entry permits
- Honorarium

FEE EXCLUDES

- International travel
- Personal expenses
- Visa charges
- Medical expenses



EXPERIENCE RURAL INDIA



LEARN INDIGENOUS WISDOM



ENGAGE WITH COMMUNITIES



PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY FOR A BETTER FUTURE