



Details

14 days travel, \$3,750 plus tuition

3 or 4 Credit Hours

Instructed by: Dr. Erik Hom

Travel dates: January 2-15, 2026

Priority Application Deadline:

October 3, 2025

Students will:

- Stay within **Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park** at **Kilauea Military Camp** (KMC).
- Discover tea forest ecology and collect samples at **Big Island Tea**.
- Process samples using lab space at the **University of Hawaii Hilo**.
- Sample **volcanic soils** for microbes across several differently aged flows.
- Plus, visit the **southernmost point in the U.S.**, home to one of only four green sand beaches in the world.

Prior to Departure

Meet with your Ole Miss instructor and fellow classmates at Insight Park (Hom Lab) December 13, 2025, for an in-person orientation and introduction of field sampling techniques and other skills used in the course.

During Travel

Travel Dates are January 2-15, 2026. Study USA coordinates and books group round-trip flights from Memphis, as well as any necessary ground transportation during the travel dates. Shared accommodations are also included and arranged by Study USA. Your instructor will share exact meeting times and locations before travel and will be available to you leading up to the course through Blackboard.

Who should go?

Ideal for students studying Environmental Science, Biology, Pharmacy, Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Ocean Sciences.

Pre-Requisites

No prerequisites to enroll in ENVS 399. For BISC 380, a student must have completed BISC 160, 161, 162, or 163 for credit.

Costs

\$3,750 plus tuition. The program fee includes airfare to and from destination, local transportation during course, lodging/accommodation during travel, select group meals, daily activities listed in itinerary, field site admission, and entrance fees to parks & attractions.

Once accepted to a program, the student accepts financial responsibility for Study USA program fees and tuition and must adhere to the application and withdrawal policy.

Itinerary subject to change. Students should wait to make travel arrangements until after confirming dates and times with instructors



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