



How to do History – Study Abroad Visit

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Lead Prof details:

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE **TEN-DAY SCOTLAND, BIOLOGY: ECOLOGICAL RECOVERY AND** **CONSERVATION** **ITINERARY 18 to 27 MAY 2026**

Group Leader Mobile (on tour) – tbc / School/Group Mobile on Tour – tbc
Out of Hours School/Group Number in the UK – tbc

No. of Students	12	Accommodation Edinburgh	Premier Inn Lauriston
No. of Staff	2	Accommodation Aviemore	Premier Inn Aviemore
No. of Guides	1	Accommodation Glasgow	Premier Inn Central South
Total Passengers	15	Coach Operator	Doigs of Glasgow
Departure Date	18 May 2026	Coach Size	19-seater
Arrival Europe Date	19 May 2026	Inbound Flight time / ref	tbc
Return Date	27 May 2026	Return Flight time / ref	tbc

Day 0 18 May 26

Travel Day

0000 Flight details here

Day 1: 19 May 26

0000 Flight arrives at Edinburgh
Meet Guide – Becky Laxton-Bass (details tbc)

Transfer to Accommodation
Premier Inn Edinburgh Central (Lauriston Place)
82 Lauriston Place, Edinburgh
EH3 9DG

Drop baggage / Check in as appropriate

1200 Orientation Walk

1400 Introduction to Edinburgh – History and Culture Walk
Little Fish Tours – Guide details tbc

1830 Welcome dinner (venue tbd)
Briefing for day 2 as appropriate

Day 2: 20 May 26

Morning Activity: Geology Walk

1000 Guided Walk, Salisbury Crags and Arthur's Seat



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Angus Miller, Geowalks. Exploration of extinct volcano, geological strata, and discussion of influence on scientific figures such as Charles Darwin.

Afternoon Activity: National Museum of Scotland

Session at National Museums Collection Centre and Main NMS site

Focus options: Earth Systems / Palaeobiology / Vertebrate Biology / Invertebrate Biology

Free Evening

Briefing for day 3 as appropriate

Day 3: 21 May 26

Morning Activity: Royal Botanical Gardens

1100 Guided Visit

On-site Garden Guides, booking required

No cut-off time, group can stay into the afternoon

Afternoon Activity: Free afternoon / Lecture?

Options?

Free Evening

Briefing for day 4 as appropriate

Day 4: 22 May 26

Morning Activity: Travel to Cairngorms

0900 Depart after breakfast having checked out from accommodation

Travel to Aviemore by Bus: Doigs of Glasgow – approx. journey time 3 hours

Premier Inn Aviemore

Grampian Road, Aviemore

PH22 1PX

Drop Baggage / check in as appropriate

Afternoon Activity: Abernethy Pine Forest

Guided visit showing work of Cairngorms Connect, expanding the pine forest and seeing new species introduced.

Evening Lecture:

Reintroduction of the Eurasian Lynx

Briefing for day 5 as appropriate



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Day 5: 23 May 26

Full Day Activity: Rewilding and biodiversity on farmland

Guided visit to two different farm sites, demonstrating transition from sterile sheep farm to biodiverse woodland, and pioneering ways to combine high-quality food production with the principles of rewilding. Tree planting at Ballinlaggan Farm.

Evening Activity: Optional lecture.

Briefing for day 6 as appropriate

Day 6: 24 May 26

Morning Activity: RZSS Highland Wildlife Park

Check out of accommodation, load luggage on bus.

Visit to Highland Wildlife Park

Focus on breeding programme for Scottish Wildcats

Afternoon / Evening Activity: **Travel to Glasgow** – via bus.

**Premier Inn Glasgow City Centre South
80 Ballater Street, Gorbals, Glasgow
G5 0TW**

Check in to accommodation – orientation and free evening.

Briefing for day 7 as appropriate

Day 7: 25 May 26

Full Day Activity: Beaver Reintroduction

0900 Depart after breakfast on minibus to Argyll Wildlife Centre

Focus on Beaver and Water Vole reintroduction, exploration of temperate rainforest and freshwater ecosystems. Removal of North American Mink.

Free Evening

Briefing for day 8 as appropriate

Day 8: 26 May 26

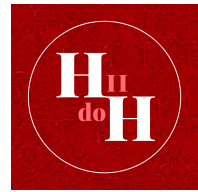
Full day: Loch Lomond & the Trossachs

1000 Morning hike, focus on woodland fauna

Afternoon boat cruise

Farewell Dinner

Briefing for day 9 as appropriate



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Day 9: 27 May 26

Morning Activity: Depart for Edinburgh Airport

Check in for flight