



Yellowstone Winter Ecology Program -Spring Break 2018 March 17-24, 2018

"Springtime" in Yellowstone National Park, Montana, is a dynamic and thrilling season, during which bison crowd around thermal pools while the park's predators prepare their own strategies.

Join this unique opportunity for D-E Upper School (US) students in Grades 9-12 to travel with three members of our own D-E Science Department, to collect data and do authentic hands-on field work, and to earn community service credits for research with the National Park Service.

Trip Highlights include:

- Stunning Vistas: As soon as you enter the Greater Yellowstone
 Ecosystem, you'll understand why it inspired our national parks. The
 landscape's singular beauty, abundance of wildlife, and fascinating
 thermal features combine to make this high-altitude plateau a
 distinctive and extraordinary ecosystem. Experiencing Yellowstone in
 the winter is a unique treat—there is a solitude and beauty in winter
 in Yellowstone that you can't find during the crowded and bustling
 summer months.
- Your Field Work: You'll gain exclusive access to ongoing research projects that will get you out in the field tracking the park's top 5 ungulate species, including bison and elk, to collect information about their diets and the sites they use, data that's critical for ongoing studies. You'll also spend a morning observing Yellowstone's wild wolves, learning the story of wolf reintroduction, and exploring how species interact to significantly impact an entire ecosystem's functioning.
- Once-in-a-Lifetime Experience: The small western town of Gardiner, Montana, on the north edge of Yellowstone National Park, is your home for the week - it's also home to the famous Roosevelt Arch entrance to the park. Each day you'll get out into the snowy landscape of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem to snermal features, or collect data about wildlife movements. EPI is only organization partnering students with park scientists on ongoing research projects.

For a by-day sample itinerary, please visit de360.d-e.org

To learn more visit the website for our program partner, Ecology Project International, at: www.ecologyproject.org

An Ecological Adventure Awaits!

To download the D-E 360° Trip Application Form 2018 (PDF), visit de360.d-e.org.

Total trip costs \$3,785. Deposit of \$1,000 is required by October 31, 2017.

This is a non-refundable deposit.

Cost does not include trip cancellation insurance.