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# The Fierce Green Fire

A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program

*ENVS senior  
Eleanor Crawford  
spent her Interim  
studying climate  
change and culture  
in Peru.*



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Join us as our seniors present  
their Capstone Projects  
March 12<sup>th</sup> – 3:00-4:30pm  
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## *Climate Change and Culture in Peru by Eleanor Crawford '20*

Brooks Bock – *Assessing Perceptions of Green Roofs in Downtown Spartanburg*  
Eleanor Crawford – *Addressing Campus Waste Infrastructure with Community-Based Social Marketing*  
Isabelle Flack – *Exploring Environmental and Elementary Education: An Assessment of Current Practices in Elementary Curriculum*  
Reeves Goettee – *The Anti-Selfie: Finding One's Self in the Landscape*  
Casey Harcourt – *Spontaneous Colonization and the Effects of Maintenance on Extensive DIY Green Roof Test Plots*  
Carson Howell – *Assessment and Analysis of Solar Potential on Wofford's Campus*  
Duncan Jones – *The Impacts of Recreational Scuba Diving on Coral Reefs in the Caribbean*  
Caroline Kilgo – *Species Richness of Mid to Large Mammals on Wofford's Campus*  
Jack Kozlowski – *Anglers, Bass, and Bluegill: An Ethnographic Study of the Relationship Between Fish and Fishermen on the LFC, Spartanburg, SC*  
John Lansing – *Light the Flame: A Personal Exploration on the Ecological Benefits of Prescribed Burns, Land Management, and Family History*  
Taven Leblond – *The Urban Beekeeping Agriculture at Wofford College*  
Ireland McGaughey – *Less Soil and Numerous Benefits: Hydroponic Gardening*  
Addie Meredith – *The Susceptibility of Low Income Communities to Hurricane Damage in Savannah, GA*  
Payton Phillips – *The Effect of Powdered Sugar on Varroa Mites*  
DeLacy Louise Rowland – *The Effects of the Outdoors on Mental Health at Wofford College*

This January, I spent my Interim in Cusco, Peru participating in a program on Climate Change and Culture. As an Environmental Studies major with some background on the topic, I was so excited to learn more about climate change and global environmental issues, especially in a location I was not familiar with. It was such a cool experience both being in this new culture and hearing from people of all backgrounds that lived and worked there. I went to so many local markets, saw all sorts of local foods and textiles, and ate some amazing food. I was able to go to Maras, a salt mine (even tasted the salt!), and Moray, an Incan archeological

site, and many beautiful mountains and rainforests. I also studied food security and sovereignty in some different areas of Peru, and how climate change directly affects smaller scale farmers and agricultural production. My very favorite place though, as one would assume, was visiting Machu Picchu. Photos truly do not do it justice, and the guide I had was actually from a family of people indigenous to the surrounding land, which made the experience even more genuine and informative. There were alpacas roaming along the ruins, and the views were beyond what I had expected- a truly unforgettable experience!



*Crawford visited Machu Picchu and experienced the local culture of Peru during Interim.*

## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

*\*These count toward your two required extracurricular events for the semester.*

**March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
3:00-4:30pm  
Olin 207

***ENVS Senior Seminar Capstone Presentations\****: Join us as our seniors display and discuss their capstone projects. Drop in or out as you are able during the presentations. Presenters are: Eleanor Crawford, Reeves Goettee, and Carson Howell. A poster session with all the seniors' projects will follow these three presentations.

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Proposal submission deadline

***Submit Research Proposals for the 2020 Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance Conference***: The theme of this year's symposium is *Environmental Legacy: It's Our Story. Past, Present, and Future*. [Link here for information](#). Accepted proposals will be notified by April 15<sup>th</sup>. This year's symposium will be held September 24, 2020 in Columbia, SC.

**March 19<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00pm  
Rosalind S. Richardson Center  
for the Arts

***Quilted Stories\****: Join us for a gallery walk with Humanities Scholar Laurel Horton as part of the quilt exhibit now on display through March 21<sup>st</sup>. The exhibition features quilts of Wofford faculty and staff, displaying storytelling and shared cultural connections. Sponsored by Wofford Cultural Affairs Committee and South Carolina Humanities.

**March 26<sup>th</sup>**  
2:30-5:30pm  
Gray-Jones Room, Burwell

***Tyson Family Lecture Series – Panel Discussion\****: *Environmental Studies, Liberal Arts and the Future* with panelists Dr. Ellen Goldey, Centre College; Dr. Drew Lanham, Clemson University; and Dr. Jim Warren, Washington & Lee University. Moderated by Dr. Kaye Savage.

**March 26<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00pm  
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***Tyson Family Lecture Series Featured Speaker\****: *The Greening of Wofford* will feature guest speaker John Lane, Professor of Environmental Studies. Introduction by Dr. Laura Barbas-Rhoden.

**March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00am-2:00pm  
Spartanburg County Admin  
Building, 366 N. Church  
Street, 29303

***12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spartanburg County Household Hazardous Waste Collection & Rain Barrel Sale***: Spartanburg County residents may bring household hazardous waste to be disposed of. [Link here](#) to find a list of acceptable and unacceptable items. Rain barrels will be available for \$95 (*cash/check only*). This event is rain or shine.

**Ongoing**

***Summer Courses through University of Montana***: A 3-week Wilderness Policy and Packing course (June8-26) and a 5-day Wilderness Pack Trip (June29-July3) combine to a [4-week, 5-credit summer course](#) in wilderness policy and horse/mule packing and learning how to travel the wilderness with horses and mules and maintain trails in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. Scholarships available.

## PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

### *Duke University – Nicholas School of the Environment*

Duke's Nicholas School of the Environment was created to combine the divisions of the School of Forestry, Environmental Studies, and their Marine Laboratory and offers master's degrees in Environmental Management (MEM), Forestry (FM), International Environmental Policy (iMEP), and Environmental Leadership (DEL-MEM) for working professionals to further their careers.

The MEM program offers seven specialized concentrations including business, coastal management, ecosystem science, environmental

health, energy, economics and policy, and water resource management. The FM program is for students interested in sustainable management of forested ecosystems. Either of these two on-campus programs can be combined concurrently with a master's in business, law, public policy, engineering or education.

Students versed in Chinese can also pursue the iMEP at Duke Kunshan University in China.

[Duke – Nicholas School of the Environment](#)