



2016 *Wolves and Northwoods Carnivores* Course Student Quotes

"This was the greatest experience of my life." – *Black Hills State University student*

"This course is by far the best course I have ever taken. I feel like I have learned more in these 14 days than I have in any class I have ever taken ever. I will always look back upon the memory of this class fondly and with wonder, as the time in my life where I truly knew that I had made a decision that will lead me to a better and happier plane of existence." – *Carthage College student*

"This is honestly one of the few experiences I've had in the field, and I absolutely loved it. This class has really reminded me why I chose this field and why people should care about animals. Given the chance, I would take this class again in a heartbeat." – *Hastings College student*

"This course has been amazing. Actually I'm not sure describing the course like that does it enough justice. I would have never guessed that a group of people could change my life so much in only 17 days. I'll try and refrain from any more clichés but what you all have created here is world-class level course. You all have shown me so much about nature and possibly more importantly, so much about what I want from the world." – *Franklin College student*

"I am extremely glad that I decided to take this course because I have experienced things on this trip that I will probably never experience again. Overall, this course has been extremely wonderful. I am going to leave this course with skills that will help me to better connect with nature and allow me to keep exploring this beautiful planet." – *Carroll University student*

"I really don't know where I could even begin to explain my time here in Minnesota. It changed my life in so many awesome ways. I gained so much more than I ever expected from this course." – *Black Hills State University Student*

"This course is packed to the limit with material and opportunities for us students to fully take advantage during the time given to us. I honestly didn't think that we could do so much in only 16 days. I personally am very happy that I took this course." – *St. Olaf College student*

"This has by far been the best thing that I have ever done. This is literally a once in a lifetime experience. I loved the entire class." – *Buena Vista University student*

"This course has been an amazing experience." – *Luther College student*

"I have learned so much in this course over the past two and a half weeks. It is hard to put into words everything the Northwoods have taught me. This class will serve as a great foundation for me in the future as I begin to seek career or graduate studies focused in wildlife and wilderness conservation. I have truly had some amazing experiences here in MN. I came here expecting to learn about gray wolves and hoping it would help me secure work with red wolves in the future but this class was much more than that. It far exceeded my expectations and opened my eyes to the bigger picture of wildlife and habitat conservation, education, and research and how each one of those areas is an integral part of the greater picture of wilderness conservation." – *Guilford College student*

"I am so thankful for all of the experiences that I have been given because I would not take one of them back for anything. This class gave me so many new perspectives on learning, areas of research, and life itself. I am more than excited to go back into the "real world" and apply everything I have learned from this class." – *Gustavus Adolphus College student*

"This class was the best educational experience I have ever had. This class has definitely exceeded my expectations and left me with many new friends and a much greater appreciation for the outdoors and wildlife." – *Oberlin College student*

"I could have never imagined what this entire course has come to offer me, and I am very grateful for the opportunity. I feel privileged to have been able to listen to all of the expert speakers that we got to hear from. I am sure the friends and contacts I have made through this experience will prove to be invaluable to me for many years to come." – *Millersville University student*

"This course was an amazing experience and I would tell anyone considering taking it to take it because I believe this has benefitted me that much." – *University of Dubuque student*

"This J-Term class was one of the best experiences of my life. The class as a whole was amazing." – *Eckerd College student*

"This experience was exceptional." – *DePauw University student*

"I have met some of the best people I could ever meet while on this trip. These people include not only the amazing speakers and professionals we had talk to us, but the TAs and instructor, along with all of the students. I thought more about what I want to do with my life. This program has changed me for the better. In these two weeks I have been able to see myself more and see what I want out of life. This class has been life changing. Thank you, Audubon Center of the North Woods. These memories will last a lifetime." – *Cornell College student*

"Deciding to attend J term is easily one of the best decisions I have ever made in my life. J-Term has permanently imprinted itself on my life and I am privileged to be a part of it. I will be forever indebted to everyone who helped me make this happen. This experience is in every way, life changing." – *Black Hills State University student*

"I would recommend this class to anyone interested in animals whether that is wild or captive. It was an amazing experience." – *Carroll University Student*

"My eyes have opened to so much more knowledge and viewpoints. I really cannot believe how amazing this experience has been." – *Carthage College student*

“Overall this course has been amazing and I’ve learned a lot about the field, the history, and the animals. If I could do it all over again, I would in a heartbeat.” – *Black Hills State University student*

“This experience has given me perspective on my life. I have gained personal and professional skills through teamwork, networking, tracking, and orienteering. I will cherish the memories I have made and keep the lessons with me.” – *Gustavus Adolphus College student*

“This was an amazing course, and I learned so much.” – *Oberlin College student*

“This was easily the most memorable trip I have ever been on. I learned at least twice as much on this trip than I ever could have in a simple classroom setting, led by an incredible instructor and some amazing TA’s that made this whole experience both educational and fun. I would without a doubt recommend this trip to anyone even remotely interested in it- it was worth every penny and I am so excited to go home and share how amazing my experience was. Taking this class is one of the best decisions of my life so far, I cannot stop raving about it. This entire experience was phenomenal- the food, the atmosphere and the company. If I had the chance to come back, I would say yes in a heartbeat- no hesitation.” – *Carthage College student*

“This class has been one of the best, most exciting experiences of my life thus far. I have learned more than I thought I would and made so many life-long friends here. This is an amazing class that I am so happy I was introduced to.” – *Black Hills State University student*

“Overall, this experience has been beneficial to me in ways that I never thought possible. At first, I thought all I was going to get from this class was how to track. Instead, I gained connections, friends, and knowledge about the ecology of wolves, lynx, and many other species. This was one of the best classes for a learning opportunity and was led by an amazing group of people.” – *Carthage College student*