



# Study Abroad South Africa Parks and People

Conservation, Ecosystems, Land  
Management, Community Development

*Integrating Learning, Research, and  
Service in Nature Reserves and their  
Surrounding Communities.*

## Spring 2010

### Preliminary Announcement

This is a ten-week, 15-credit program that will take place in the nature reserves of the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa.

25 Penn State students will travel to South Africa, take classes (9 credits), and conduct research and service projects (6 credits) in the parks and in the communities that surround them. During the 10 weeks they will be joined at different times by students and staff from several partner universities in South Africa. Penn State faculty will direct the program and teach the classes, in collaboration with South African faculty.

The 9 credits of course work (400-level) will cover the physical geology and geography of South Africa, its cultural and political history, ecology and land management. The research and service component will receive 6 credits of independent study.

Exact dates and costs are to be determined, but the program will run during Spring semester 2010. Students will not be resident at Penn State during that semester. Students will pay their regular PSU tuition, the airfare, and a program fee. The total cost will be approximately \$1,500 more than a regular semester's tuition, fees, room and board.

**Eligibility:** The course is directed at Sophomores and Juniors who have taken at least 6 credits of natural science classes. However, Freshmen who may be interested should contact the program director. The course is open to students from all disciplines. Entry to the course is by application.

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