



Expedition Education Institute Semester Application

Your name: _____

Please simply write each response or short essay following the prompts below. Save as PDF if possible or as a MSWord document and send as an attachment to bus@marlboro.edu.

1. **Statement of Interest:** In 300 to 700 words, tell us about what draws you to participating in an expedition semester, your passions as they relate to the environment, nature, and sustainability, and discuss your experience and interest in creating change and how you might hope to develop as a change agent or an ecological leader.

2. **Statement of Living and Learning in Community:** In 300 to 700 words, tell us your ideas about the importance of community in creating a sustainable society, your experiences with and interest in community living and learning, the challenges you might face in group situations, and the roles you typically play within the communities you belong to.

3. **Statement of Physical Ability and Willingness to Live Outdoors:** Though EEI is not an outdoor adventure program, we do live outdoors and generally take two or three backcountry trips per semester. Camping experience is not a prerequisite, but the willingness to be adaptable to weather, temperature, dirt, etc., is important to successfully completing the program. There is also a minimum level of physical fitness necessary for participating in the required backcountry trips: students should be fit enough to carry a forty pound pack over uneven terrain for up to ten miles. (Most days on a backpack would cover shorter distances.) Please briefly describe your level of outdoor experience and skills and physical ability (again, outdoor experience is not a prerequisite).

4. If there is anything else you wish us to consider regarding your application for enrollment in the Expedition program, please include it here.

5. List below where you are in your educational journey, your current college or high school and your anticipated college, if you are switching or starting after an Expedition semester. Please also provide us with your mailing address(es), preferred email address (if different than the one we're using), your phone number (best place to reach you), and your usernames for one or two videochatting apps you could use for a video interview.

6. Recommendations (1):

All Applicants are required to submit 1 recommendation - written within the last two years - from an individual with whom you have worked closely in a professional/work/leadership or academic setting. Recommendations from relatives or friends are not acceptable. They may be sent to directly to [EEI, P.O. Box 793, Belfast, ME 04915] in a sealed envelope from the recommender, or emailed directly by the recommender to bus@marlboro.edu (Tell them to put "letter for [your name]" in the subject line of the email.