GEOG 4022 GEOGRAPHIES OF RECREATION, LEISURE AND TOURISM

Tourism and outdoor recreation, including travel, sports, and conservation and educational activities, impact how people relate to each other and their environment. This course delves into the social, cultural and economic geographies of playing in and exploring the 'great outdoors'.

The aim of this course is to explore the ways in which places are interpreted, understood and (re)created as spaces of leisure, recreation and tourism. We will examine how identities, communities and senses of place are constructed through tourism and outdoor recreational activities. Equally, we will study the ways that landscapes and cultures are altered as a result of an ever growing and globalized tourism and outdoor recreation industry.

Key themes: Space and place, economic geography, identity, sustainable development

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