

# Arctic Ecology



**DISKO ISLAND | GREENLAND**

**Program Study Tour**  
DIS Copenhagen | Summer 2019



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**Study Tour Objectives:**

- Experience the Arctic environment of West Greenland first hand
- Carry out field work in the arctic
- first hand experience with a selection of Arctic plant and animal species
- Engage in your personal learning process outside the classroom by actively participating and challenging your current ideas and assumptions
- Get to know your fellow students and professors in an educational and social setting outside DIS
- Visit to "Arctic Station" - the field station of University of Copenhagen and Institute of Natural Resources, Nuuk
- Get personal experience in how modern Greenlanders live

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<b>DIS Office</b>  <b>Emergency</b>	<p>+45 3311 0144 (8:30-16:30)</p> <p>+45 3066 1000 (24hrs)</p> <p><b>Local Emergency #: 112</b></p>
	<p><b>PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PASSPORT, DANISH RESIDENCY CARD AND STUDENT ID</b></p>
	<p><b>Packing:</b>  <b>“There is no bad weather, only bad clothing”</b>  <i>Please pack lots of layers for your outside activities and tour to Greenland. The weather in Greenland is unpredictable and can change very quickly, so be prepared with everything from sunglasses to snow hats. You want to be able to enjoy the nature, so bundle up!</i></p> <p><b>Cell phones:</b>  <i>IMPORTANT: You are travelling to a part of the world where internet and wifi is expensive and unstable. Make sure to tell friends and family what they might not hear from you while on tour. However keep your phone on and with you at all times in case of an emergency..</i></p> <p><b>Health information:</b>  <i>If you officially disclosed an allergy and/or dietary restriction and/or have been granted reasonable accommodations on study tour based on a documented disability, this information has been shared with your tour leaders. However, it remains your responsibility to seek necessary medical care in advance of your study tour and manage your health while on tour. If you would like your leader to know more about your medical or disability history, it is up to you to disclose it to them. In addition, if you need reasonable assistance in managing a health condition while on tour (e.g. if you have seizures and want leaders to know how to act if one occurs on tour or have an epi pen you would like someone to locate for you should you have an allergic reaction, or similar), it is up to you to request such assistance directly from your fellow students/leaders. If you have questions or would like assistance in this process, please contact the Care Team at <a href="mailto:care@dis.dk">care@dis.dk</a></i></p>

## MONDAY, JULY 15

		<p><b>IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR DEPARTURE DAY:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allow extra time for your travel to the airport this morning.</li> <li>• There is only <b>ONE DAILY FLIGHT</b> to Greenland, so don't be late!</li> <li>• Be <i>absolutely</i> sure to have your phone switched on and with max volume so your tour leaders can get in touch with you.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6:40 SHARP</b> (DK time)</p>		<p>Meet at Copenhagen Airport, at the 7-11 between Terminal 2 and 3.</p> <p>We will check in as a group. Please have your passport ready.</p> <p><b>PNR: KTLVB8</b></p>
<p>9:15</p>		<p>Depart for Greenland on flight GL779</p>
<p>9:55 (GL time)</p>		<p><b>Arrive in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland</b></p> <p>Kangerlussuaq time is 4 hours behind Copenhagen time. Please adjust your clocks accordingly.</p>
<p>10.00-14.00</p>		<p>Group lunch at airport and optional hike close to the airport</p>
<p>14:30</p>		<p>Depart for Ilulissat on flight GL578</p>
<p>15:15</p>		<p>Arrive in Ilulissat</p>
<p>15:25</p>		<p>Private transfer bus to guesthouse</p>
<p>Approx. 15:40</p>		<p>Arrive at guesthouse and check in: <b>Ilulissat Guesthouse</b> Qupaloraasuk 56 3952 Ilulissat Tel.: +299-278980</p>
<p>16:30</p>		<p>Academic Tour: <b>Intro to the Diskobay and Ilulissat</b> Guided walk of Ilulissat (aprox. 2 hours)</p>

<b>19:00</b>		Group dinner at Hotel Hvide Falk
		Rest of evening on own

## TUESDAY, JULY 16

5.30-10:00		Early Breakfast at Hotel Hvide Falk
5:30		<p>Group 1: Walk to Hotel Hvide Falk for breakfast and then to the harbour to depart for Disko Island, Qeqertarsuaq</p> <p>Your trip will include a ferry ride!</p> <p><i>You will have a good chance of spotting whales on this trip!</i></p>
7:00		<b>Group 1:</b> Depart for Qeqertarsuaq
9.15		<b>Group 1</b> arrives Qeqertarsuaq
9:00		<p><b>Group 2:</b> Walk to Hotel Hvide Falk for breakfast and then to the harbour to depart for Disko Island, Qeqertarsuaq</p> <p>Your trip will include a ferry ride!</p> <p><i>You will have a good chance of spotting whales on this trip!</i></p>
10:30		<b>Group 2:</b> Depart for Qeqertarsuaq
12.45		<b>Group 2</b> arrives Qeqertarsuaq
13.00		Lunch at Hotel Disko Bay Restaurant
		<p>Check in:  <b>Hostel Disko Island</b>            Ph. Rosendahlip Aqq 7            3953 Qeqertarsuaq            Tel.: 00299-921628</p>
		Academic program for the day to be announced by professors and tour leaders
19:00		Group dinner at the hotel



Rest of evening on own

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

8:00-9:00		Breakfast at the guesthouse
		Academic program for the day to be announced by professors and tour leaders <i>You will get lunch bags from the guesthouse</i>
16:00		Depart guesthouse Your trip will include a ferry ride! <i>You will have a good chance of spotting whales on this trip!</i>
17:10		Depart for Ilulissat
19:25		Arrive & check in: <b>Ilulissat Guesthouse</b> Qupaloraasuk 56 3952 Ilulissat Tel.: +299-278980
20:00		Group dinner: <b>Hotel Icefiord</b>
		Rest of evening on own

## THURSDAY, JULY 18

8:00		Breakfast at Red Guesthouse
8:30		Walk to harbour
9:15		Depart by boat to the bay of Ipiutaq
10:00	 	Sail north to small Greenlandic settlement or hike (1 ½ hour) while spotting wildlife and flora
12:00		Group Lunch <b>Restaurant H8</b>
		Guided tour of the settlement
14:00		Depart by boat to Ilulissat
		Optional Hike back in Ilulissat or time on own
19:00		Dinner at the guesthouse
		Rest of evening on own with optional sauna and cold tub experience

## FRIDAY, JULY 19

<b>8:00</b>		Breakfast at Red House <i>Check out and store luggage at Blue Guesthouse</i>
<b>9:00-13:00</b>		Group visit: <b>Group Hike to UNESCO Park</b> <i>You will bring lunch packs on the hike!</i>
		Time on own to do the last exploring before we return Remember to have dinner on own during this time!
<b>18.00</b>		Depart for airport by private coach, departing from Blue Guesthouse
		Arrive in airport to check in <b>PNR.: KTLVB8</b>
<b>19:20 (GL Time)</b>		Depart for Kangerlussauq on flight GL581
<b>20:10 (GL Time)</b>		Arrive in Kangerlussauq
<b>23:40 (GL Time)</b>		Depart for Copenhagen on flight GL784
<b>8:00 (DK time)</b>		Arrive in Copenhagen

***In order to constantly improve and enhance our Study Tours, please take a moment to fill out the Study Tour evaluation. You will be sent a link.***

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15-07-2019 - 19-07-2019

Total on tour: 16

Total students: 14

Total other: 2



Nielsen, Peter Gravlund



Hviid, Alexander Niels-Jacob



Arcellana, Patricia  
USA  
Goucher College



Benson, David James  
USA  
Widener University



Eareckson, Elizabeth Ann  
University of Virginia



Epstein, Jake Peretz  
USA  
Lehigh University



Erlich, Sophie  
Elon University



Foeppel, Jared  
Purdue University



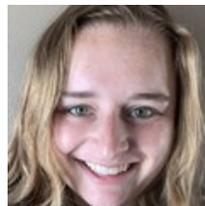
Gill, Kevin Patrick  
University of North Carolina at Chapel



Healey, Brian Patrick  
Indiana University



Laub, Ollie Rose  
USA  
Carleton College



Meyer, Julia Durand  
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities



Russo, Clare Marie

USA

Villanova University



Sinsley, Haley Venne

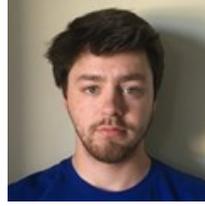
Elon University



Sletten, Lindsay Elise

USA

Goucher College



Thatcher, Jacob D.

University of Colorado Boulder

## INSURANCE MATTERS WHILE TRAVELLING ON DIS STUDY TOURS

Students enrolled at DIS have comprehensive health -, accident -, property - and personal liability insurance coverage through a combination of the **Danish national health system** and **Europæiske ERV**, which is valid throughout the world.

For further information and details, including forms and information on how to file insurance claims, please refer to the insurance conditions at [www.disabroad.org/insurance](http://www.disabroad.org/insurance).

You can also email [insurance@dis.dk](mailto:insurance@dis.dk) to have any questions answered.

### THEFT

Keep your personal belongings in a safe place and **never leave them unattended or in unlocked premises**. ALWAYS keep a copy of your passport, Danish residence permit and CPR card in a location separate from your originals (e.g. in the bottom of your suitcase).

Should you have your personal belongings stolen during your study tour, please make sure to follow the guidelines below:

1. **ALWAYS** file a police report with the local police, and consult with your tour leader. Without a police report, the insurance company will reject your claim.
  - a. *“However, if, for an exceptional reason, the police cannot be notified at the location of the theft or robbery, e.g. on account of immediately imminent departure, the notification must be made as soon as possible following the Insured's return home, and the original receipt for the notification must be sent to Europæiske ERV.”*
2. If your wallet (incl. transportation pass, purchase card, credit card, phone) is stolen, cancel them as soon as possible (you can reference the DISAbroad website for further advice).
3. If your passport is stolen, you will need to go to the closest embassy or consulate with the copy of your passport to have an emergency passport issued.

### MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

**ALWAYS** keep your Danish National Health Card (the CPR card) on you. If you need to see a doctor or go to the emergency room, consult with your study tour leader who will assist you. In a life-threatening emergency call 112, or the local emergency number, before your study tour leader.

Present the doctor/hospital with your CPR card as your personal ID. In some countries, you might be asked to pay up front, but remember to hold onto all medical receipts, prescriptions and doctor's statements, as this paperwork will be necessary to submit in order to get your expenses covered through the insurance.

## DIS CODE OF STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Students and tour leaders are expected to uphold and follow the expectations of the DIS Code of Student Responsibility while on study tour. The full Code is available online in the “Student Resources” section for both Copenhagen and Stockholm. Students are reminded of the following Code sections, which are particularly relevant while on study tour:

- Students are expected to contribute to a positive community while on study tour.
- Obstruction of study tour activities *is prohibited*. Students are to comply with directions of DIS officials and partners acting in performance of their duties, including communication of guidelines, directives, timetables and instructions.
- Students are financially responsible for their own actions and any property damage, fines, etc. are the responsibility of the student to rectify.
- Students who choose to consume alcohol do so with the knowledge that they remain responsible for their actions at all times. Being under the influence of alcohol during or between study tour visits *is prohibited*. *Extreme or repeated intoxication at any time is prohibited*.
- Students may not purchase, possess, use, or distribute any drugs considered to be illicit, illegal, or a controlled substance in Denmark, Sweden, and any country they visit while enrolled with DIS (including study tour travel). Students may not use drugs legally prescribed to another person or inappropriately/illegally use otherwise legal drugs. Students are further cautioned that the possession of illegal drugs is often dealt with harshly by local law enforcement

*DIS tour leaders are obligated to report any violation of the Code of Student Responsibility including inappropriate behavior or negative participation to both the DIS Study Tours Department as well as the Office of Academic Support.*

*Inappropriate behavior on any DIS study tour can also result in dismissal from DIS without refund of tuition or study tour costs.*

# DIS STUDY TOUR EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

## **First Priority: Protection of Life and Wellbeing**

In case of an emergency your first priority is to ensure that you are in or evacuate to a safe area. Follow the directions of local authorities, where present, and note that often the safest decision is to remain where you are.

## **Second Priority: Call for Assistance**

If you, or anyone with you is injured or in direct risk of being injured, call **112** or the local emergency number.

**Then, call one of your tour leaders** (contact numbers are found on the front page of this booklet).

In the unlikely event that you cannot reach your tour leaders, call the 24/7 DIS Emergency Phone:

Copenhagen: +45 30 67 10 00

Stockholm: +46 72 14 12 862

*After reaching safety, calling for assistance, and reaching a DIS staff member, stay off the phone to conserve your battery and so that your line is open if someone needs to reach you.*

## **Third Priority: Assist the injured and/or attempt to eliminate further hazard**

If you are able to take steps to eliminate a hazard from spreading or be of aid to injured people **without putting your own safety at risk**, you should do so if it can prevent further injury or loss of life.

## **Fourth Priority: Inform your family/personal emergency contact**

Only after the immediate risk is mitigated, inform your family/emergency contact person of your status and situation.

DIS will assist you in communicating with your home institution, and any other necessary parties.



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