

The UW in Scotland Project: Course Selection for 2027 & 28

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Call for Proposals:

Applications are invited to teach in the UW in Scotland project, Summer 2027 or 2028.

Faculty who are currently part of the UW in Scotland cohort (and have trained at Abbotsford), and colleagues with substantial in-country experience in Scotland and grounding in transdisciplinary methods, are eligible to apply. *

Teaching in Scotland:

In successive years, pairs of UW faculty from different disciplines, and who have trained in the varied resources and transdisciplinary methods of the Abbotsford cohort, develop and teach a summer program in Scotland. Their courses typically have a first footprint at Walter Scott's house, Abbotsford, in the Scottish Borders, then move on to other locations across the country. Courses embrace the varied resources of the region through transdisciplinary teaching.

Previous courses have included:

- Castles, Crowns, and the Enlightenment: Identity, Power, and Ideas in Scotland and England
- Wyoming in Scotland: Inspiration, Imagination, Innovation
- Earth, Energy, & Culture in Scotland
- Scottish Rural Spaces: From Ancient Fields and Forests to Modern Food Systems
- Stealing Culture: The Intersection of Criminal Law and Museum Studies

Courses are strongly recommended to meet University Studies requirements, and faculty will be required to develop and pursue a recruitment plan.

Applications should be from PAIRS of faculty from different disciplines, and directed toward a 10-DAY (or more), 6-CREDIT summer course experience in Scotland for majors from across the curriculum (including a 1-credit preparatory course in the Spring). Successful faculty should expect to work with UW in Scotland, Education Abroad and their own units to organize their course or courses and to recruit. Students must sign up for the full 6 credits. Courses that meet general education requirements as well as disciplinary ones, and faculty able and willing to sustain a range of student interests and levels, are preferred.

Support:

- Teaching in the UW in Scotland project is supported according to the protocols established for Education Abroad. See <https://www.uwyo.edu/uwyoabroad/faculty-advisors/develop-program.html>
- Colleagues pursuing research in Scotland in the days before or after their course can apply for a \$500 award from UW in Scotland to support that work. (See below for how to apply.)

Application process to lead a UW in Scotland program for credit:

- Applicants may come from any discipline, but must demonstrate active interest in transdisciplinary teaching, recognition of Scotland's resources and opportunities, and readiness to make the most of those resources.*



- Applications should be joint, involving two faculty from disparate disciplines, or two faculty demonstrably prepared in the materials and modes of transdisciplinary teaching.
- Complete applications consist of the following: preliminary course descriptions, suggested credits, and recruitment plan; a statement of preparedness and intent that connects research to teaching, and teaching to student opportunity in Scotland; endorsement from relevant department chairs.

Application process to add a research grant:

- Applicants can at the same time request a research grant (Tate or Musser Fellowship). Applicants should add a brief statement of the research they aim to achieve while in Scotland (before or after the course). This should detail goals, materials, archives, locations, as relevant. Grants can be awarded to either or both faculty, and will be paid as reimbursement of up to \$500 each.
- Successful applicants will be designated Tate or Musser Fellows.

The selection committee for the UW in Scotland teaching opportunity may include:

- The AVP for Global Engagement, Director of Education Abroad, or designated representative
- The director of Honors, or designated representative, if this will be an Honors course
- Two faculty who have recently taught in the project
- The project director, Caroline McCracken-Flesher

Primary selection criteria for the course include:

- Well-conceived courses, that engage with in-country resources
- Transdisciplinarity in approach and opportunity
- Appeal to UW community
- Faculty preparedness to direct a program abroad
- Viable recruitment plan (connected to UW requirements, etc.)

Primary selection criteria for fellowships include:

- Well-conceived project, drawing on unique in-country resources, and /or cultivating research relationships.

Selection committee will meet promptly to select faculty for the 2027 credit-bearing course:

- Successful applicants will be required to report on their course, and on their research efforts.
- These reports become part of our project record and are shared with our donors.

***How to become UW in Scotland Faculty:**

Faculty who were not part of the original cohort can join it and be considered to direct a program in Scotland if they demonstrate knowledge, preparedness, and a transdisciplinary disposition equivalent to that they would have gained as part of the cohort.

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Deadline: January 30, 2026

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