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Q: Can I register for only one class?

A: No, PIN students must take all classes offered during the summer session, as they are an integrated learning experience.

Q: How many days a week does class meet?

A: Class normally meet Monday through Friday, where Friday is reserved for presentations and research. Classes typically meet 9 AM to 5 PM, with a break for lunch. Classes may consist of lectures, field trips, research appointments and site work, as well as work on your own time.

Q&A: Preservation Institute Nantucket

Q: Is there a break down of what type of work or projects the program is doing? I read the flyer but was curious what the workload may look like?

A: The Preservation Institute Nantucket is an intensive session as 6 credit hours are covered over the summer. Students are expected to read for class, research and make presentations, cover a weekly assignment, and make a midterm and final presentation to our stakeholders. Work is assigned in both group and individual formats.

Q: Is it mostly class work or is it field work, or a mix of both?

A: PIN is a mix of both instruction and field work. There will be days which one is more emphasized than the other. For example, the first week is an introduction to the Island, therefore it is classroom-focused as it is establishing context for the future weeks. Survey, materials, technology and documentation may be site/ field focused. You will also have archival and library research time.

Q: Do I need to purchase textbooks?

A: No, all course readings are provided digitally. For those who do prefer physical copies of reading materials, the following Nantucket texts below are used throughout the summer.

- Booker, Margaret Moore. (2003) Sea-Captain's Houses and Rose-Covered Cottages: The Architectural Heritage of Nantucket Island. ISBN: 978-0789308801
- Karttunen, Frances Ruley. (2005) The Other Islanders: People Who Pulled Nantucket's Oars. ISBN: 978-0932027931

We ask that students complete the following reading for the program:

- Philbrick, Nathaniel Philbrick. (1994) Away Off Shore: Nantucket Island and Its People, 1602-1890. ISBN:978-0143120124



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Q: What is PIN housing like?

A: The PIN Dorms are three attached buildings. Dorm A and C (front and back) contain six bedrooms; Dorm B (middle) contains five bedrooms and the laundry room. Each PIN student has a private bedroom, with a keyed lock on the door. The bedroom includes a twin extra long bed, wardrobe, desk, light, and bedside table. Each dorm holds a common area with an open kitchen, dining, and living room. Each dorm holds one bathroom, which features a standing shower, sink, and commode, as well as storage shelves.

All students have access to the laundry room, open from 9 am to 9 pm. Outside there is a picnic area and bike racks. A grocery store is located within walking distance of the dorms.

Q: Can I bring my partner/spouse/children/pet?

A: You are welcome to bring your family, but PIN housing is only for registered students, so you will need to find additional lodging for them. Pets are not allowed in PIN dormitories.

Q: If I stay somewhere other than PIN housing, can I get a discount on the fee?

A: No, the fee is fixed and all-inclusive. Nantucket, like many places, is experiencing a housing crisis. There is an extremely high demand for little availability. It is highly recommended to stay in PIN housing, which is guaranteed.