

Join us for a fantastic program designed to provide a terrific experience fly fishing on Montana’s world-renowned waters. Fly fishing is a lifetime leisure pursuit. Treat yourself to a quality experience to jump-start the learning curve or fine-tune already developed skills.

**PROFESSOR**

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Dr. Raymond Poff  
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**ACCOMMODATIONS**

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Hotel

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

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Join us and experience fly fishing on world-renowned waters containing 5 species of trout: rainbow, brown, cutthroat, hybrid cutbow, and brook. These waters offer anglers a chance at a "Grand Slam" (catching 4-5 species of trout in one day). Participants will receive individualized instruction to improve their understanding and proficiency in fly fishing.

**PROGRAM DETAILS**

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**LOCATION:** *Missoula, Montana and surrounding vicinity September 16-21, 2019*

**ITINERARY:** *(Subject to change) (Note: participant may elect to arrive early and/or leave late- please see Dr. Poff)*

Monday	9/16/2019	Travel to Missoula, MT	
Tuesday	9/17/2019	Missoula and vicinity	Full day guiding + instruction
Wednesday	9/18/2019	Missoula and vicinity	Full day guiding + instruction
Thursday	9/19/2019	Missoula and vicinity	Full day guiding + instruction
Friday	9/20/2019	Missoula and vicinity	Full day guiding + instruction
Saturday	9/21/2019	Travel to BG	Return home

Note: Specific Tues-Fri locations and times are subject to change due to fishing conditions and weather

The schedule is subject to change due to educational opportunities that may arise unexpectedly, the vagaries of weather, and other factors beyond the control of the course instructors and staff.

**ELIGIBILITY**

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- A minimum of 18 years of age at time of departure (those under 18 years of age must be accompanied by parental/legal guardian/family member)
- Complete Study Away American Traveler application and pay deposit,
- Possess a valid form of Government issued identification (i.e. driver’s license) as required to fly within the United States,
- Full payment prior to departure, and
- Permission of program leader, Dr. Raymond Poff.

**By applying, you also acknowledge that the full cost is due before the program departure date.**

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**PROGRAM PACKAGE**

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**Sliding Scale Cost: \$1,849 (based on minimum of 13 participants) - \$2,099 (based on minimum of 5 participants)\***

**\*The program fee scale of \$1,849-\$2,099 is based on the total number of participants (students and public) who enroll in this program. When registering, participants should be prepared to pay the maximum cost of \$2,099. The program fee will be established based upon the number of participants who have registered by May 10th, so logistical arrangements can be made. Participant enrollment after May 10th will not adjust the cost of the program.**

**Included in PROGRAM Package**

- 5 nights lodging accommodations during program
- Lunch (Tuesday-Friday)
- 4 full days of fly fishing and instruction (float trips with one guide and 2 anglers per boat)
- Fishing license + Applicable State Fees (Aquatic Invasive Species + Conservation)
- Use of fly-fishing equipment (rod, reel, etc.)
- Terminal tackle (leader, tippet, flies)
- Guide gratuity (participants are welcome to tip extra if inclined to do so)
- Missoula airport hotel shuttle

**Excluded from Base Package**

- Items not explicitly listed in package.
- Transportation to/from Missoula, MT
- Transportation between your departure airport and your home.
- Independent travel (non-program travel).
- Personal expenses such as laundry, phone service, and Internet access.
- Travel cancellation/interruption insurance. *Highly recommended.*
- Baggage fees and costs associated with flight changes.
- Meals & Services and beverages not mentioned in the program

**Study Away courses are not eligible for employee tuition waivers or discounts.**

**Contract of Acceptance subject to change due to adjustment in program or pricing.**

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**LOGISTICAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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- Each participant must arrange transportation to/from Missoula, Montana to participate in the program. This transportation is not part of the program cost. All past participants have flown to Missoula.
- Be prepared for a range of temperatures and weather conditions (appropriate clothing).
- Polarized sunglasses and hat are required while fishing for safety reasons.
- Additional items to consider packing will be discussed during pre-travel communication.
- Participants will have some free time in Missoula without program leader supervision – participants are expected to conduct themselves appropriately.

**TERMS & CONDITIONS**

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The **participant must inform Study Away directly and in writing** (email accepted) if he or she chooses to withdraw from a program. No other statements of withdrawal will be considered as notification of withdrawal, therefore, the participant will still be considered a program participant until this written notification is received. Program leaders are asked to direct participants wishing to withdrawal to the Study Away web site at [www.wku.edu/studyaway/student/study-away-withdrawal-request.php](http://www.wku.edu/studyaway/student/study-away-withdrawal-request.php)). Penalties will be based on the notification date as listed in the Terms and Conditions section of the program details (Contract of Acceptance).

<p><b>Payment Schedule:</b></p> <p><b>May 10</b> – Priority deadline for Study Away American Traveler Application &amp; \$750 Deposit* (non-refundable, paid with check or credit card) deadline. Participants applying after this deadline will be reviewed on a rolling basis.</p> <p><b>August 15</b>- Program fee balance due in form of check or credit card payment. <b>\$1,099-\$1,349</b></p>	<p><b>Penalty for Withdrawal or Non-payment:</b></p> <p><b>Deposit Non-refundable</b></p> <p><b>After May 10:</b> 100% of program cost remains due <b>\$1,099-\$1,349</b></p> <p>(No refund)</p> <p><b>If a balance remains after the payment due date, the participant may be dropped from the program. The balance will still be owed to WKU Study Away.</b></p>
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**LIABILITY DISCLAIMER**

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*Western Kentucky University and its associates are not responsible for any loss due to theft, personal injury, flight or weather delays, negligence, or default of suppliers, or suppliers changing of itineraries. They and their associates are not responsible for any loss due to travel/flight delays or changes in travel plans due to Acts of Nature or other unforeseen circumstances, nor are we responsible for accidents and medical care. Tour services are furnished by independent contractors who are not agents or servants of Western Kentucky University. Refunds are not available for unused portions of the package.*

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