



# Fall Migration on the West Coast of Vancouver Island

**September 6 – 10, 2016**

This west coast experience at the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre provides unparalleled access to unique coastal, marine and rainforest habitats and exceptional species diversity. Your adventure includes boat trips, experimentation and observations in the laboratory, presentations and field trips to beaches and a rain forest. You will take on the role of oceanographer and examine the biotic and abiotic characteristics of the ocean while observing marine mammals and birds. Walk on beautiful beaches and explore the intertidal wonders including

sandy shores, algae, tidepools, sculpted stones and sea stars. Ospreys, eagles and sea lions can often be seen in their natural habitat! You will hike part of the world-class West Coast Trail through a coastal temperate rain forest. Field trips, labs and workshops will be guided by on-site educators.

**Don't be disappointed. Register early. Space is limited.**

## Orientation

The orientation meeting will be held on Wednesday August 24, 6:30 – 8 pm at the University of Calgary main campus. At the orientation you will meet your fellow travelers and the travel logistics will be confirmed. Questions will be answered by Louise Hahn, University of Calgary's ambassador to the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre (BMSC) and University of Calgary Continuing Education's program manager, Patsy Knutson.



## Itinerary

Daily activities to be determined by weather and tidal conditions.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**11:30 am** Depart Comox Airport (YQQ) by BMSC shuttle bus. Stop enroute to Bamfield at Cathedral Groves. Lunch break in Port Alberni.

**4 pm** Arrive at BMSC, settle into accommodations, tour of the facilities and safety orientation.

**6 pm** Dinner.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Activities onsite at Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre include: slide shows, workshops about rainforests, plants, fungi, and survey techniques for birding and mammals, labs on introduction to Barkley Sound invertebrates, and examination of plankton, sea birds and fish form and function. Field trips include beach and forest walks, bioluminescence discovery, and open water exploration of birds and mammals. There will be activities every morning, afternoon and some evenings. All meal times at BMSC are fixed. Breakfast is served daily from 7:30 – 8 am, lunch from 12:30 – 1 pm and dinner from 6 – 6:30 pm.

Please note that the site is not wheelchair accessible and participants will be faced with physical challenges such as stairs, hills, getting on and off a boat, beach walking and easy to moderate hiking trails.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

**7:30 am** Breakfast. Pack-up, move out of accommodations.

**8 am** Souvenir and book sales in the Whale Lab.

**9 am** Depart for Comox Airport (YQQ) by BMSC shuttle bus. Brief stop in Port Alberni for lunch.

**1:45 pm** Arrive Comox Airport.

## Fees

Cost*	\$949.00
GST	\$47.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$996.45</b>

\* Does not include airfare.

All fees are based on double occupancy. Please note that accommodation is university dorm style shared accommodation with two people per room. Costs include bus transportation from Comox Airport to Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre return, accommodation, and meals as listed in the itinerary. Participants are responsible for transportation to Comox. A deposit of \$500 is required with the registration form. There is a \$200 withdrawal fee prior to the final payment dates. **Final payment is due on July 13, 2016.** Fees are based on the information available at the time of print and are subject to change to reflect any changes in currency rates, airfares, or land costs. There are possibilities of decreases or increases, and any changes will be reflected on the final payment and passed on to the participant.

## Refund Policy

Please call 403-220-2952 to request a refund. Up to the final payment date, a cancellation fee of \$200 will apply. After the final payment date, the amount of refund will depend on the amount recoverable from the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre. We highly recommend insurance.

## Insurance

We highly recommend cancellation and medical insurance. Information will be sent out at the time of final payment.

## Liability and Responsibility

University of Calgary and its travel agents will exercise all reasonable care in making arrangements for conducting the tour. They are, however, acting only in the capacity of an agent and do not assume liability for any damage to persons or property resulting from or arising out of any act or inadvertence of any hotel, carrier, restaurant, or other company or persons rendering any of the services included in the tour or for any damage caused by other factors beyond their control. The passage contract in use by the bus transportation company concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the bus transportation company and passengers. All prices are based on bus transportation and accommodation prices at the time of planning the tours, and are subject to change. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable to alter the itinerary or arrangements for any reason whatsoever, such alterations may be made. Additional expenses, if any, shall be borne by the participants; conversely refunds will be made to participants if any savings are affected thereby. The right is reserved to decline, accept, or retain any participant or tour member at any time.



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## Personal information

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OFFICIAL NAME (As it appears on your passport): \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be travelling with another person?

Yes Their Name: \_\_\_\_\_  No

**Accommodation is university dorm style with two people per room.**

Please note: Participants are responsible for their own transportation to Comox. For air travelers, please use your preferred flight booking method/agency, or call Heather Richards at Merit Travel: 403.282.7687, ext 221.

You will travel by chartered bus from Comox to the Bamfield Marine Science Centre. Individual travel to Bamfield is not an option.

## Payment

A deposit of \$500 must accompany this registration. Remit by credit card, cheque or money order in Canadian funds payable to University of Calgary.

CHEQUE ENCLOSED

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT:

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Card Holder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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