

Wk1. Natural History

CAU Summer 2026: Week One, July 5 - 11, 2026							
<b>COURSE: Natural History: Health, Wealth, &amp; The Divine: Biodiversity &amp; The Human Quest</b> <b>FACULTY: Robert A. Raguso, Professor of Neurobiology &amp; Behavior</b> <b>LOCATION: Kennedy Hall, room 461, some field work</b>					<b>KEY:</b> ~ Balch Residents Only > Open to everyone: Commuters and Balch Residents * Balch Residents and Social Lounge Participants Only		
	Sunday, July 5	Monday, July 6	Tuesday, July 7	Wednesday, July 8	Thursday, July 9	Friday, July 10	Saturday, July 11
<b>6:30-7:30</b>		~ Special Activity	~ Special Activity	~ Special Activity	~ Special Activity	~ Special Activity	
<b>7:30-8:30</b>	Program Closed; Check-in begins at 2:00pm  <i>Coffee Break 10:30-10:45</i>	~ Balch Hall Continental Breakfast	~ Balch Hall Continental Breakfast	~ Balch Hall Continental Breakfast	~ Balch Hall Continental Breakfast	~ Balch Hall Continental Breakfast	Check out 10AM
<b>8:30-9:00</b>		~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	
<b>9:00-12:00</b>		In the Beginning - The Biosphere and its Genesis	Evolution, Coevolution, Economics and History	We Three Kings: Trade Routes, Scarcity, Wealth	Nature's Bounty - Ecosystem Services, Biomimicry	Paradise Lost - Rapid Change in the Anthropocene	
<b>12:00-1:30</b>		Lunch (on your own)	Lunch (on your own)	~ Shuttle Runs 12:00-12:30pm	Lunch (on your own)	Lunch (on your own)	
<b>1:30-3:30</b>	<b>2:00-3:30pm</b> Dorm Check-in	Deep Time - Visit Museum of the Earth	Visit Cornell Insect Collection	Spring Break	Visit Bailey Conservatory & Botanic Garden	Bending the Curve - Visit Lab of Ornithology	
<b>3:30-4:00</b>	<b>3:30-5:00pm</b> Commuter Check in	~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	<b>1:30-3:30pm</b> Wednesday Afternoon Seminars (for those who registered)	~ Shuttle to class	~ Shuttle to class	
<b>4:00-6:00</b>	<b>5:00-6:00pm</b> Orientation	~ Social Lounge Open > Campus Tours (Registration Required)	~ Social Lounge Open > Campus Tours (Registration Required)	Social Lounge Closed until 7:00pm	~ Social Lounge Open > Campus Tours (Registration Required)	~ Social Lounge Open > Campus Tours (Registration Required)	
<b>6:00-7:00</b>	> Group Dinner (pay-as-you-go)	> Group Dinner (pay-as-you-go)	> Group Dinner (pay-as-you-go)	> Group Dinner (pay-as-you-go)	> Group Dinner (pay-as-you-go)	<b>5:45-6:15pm</b> ~ shuttle available <b>6:00-6:30pm</b> > Farewell Reception (Statler Hotel Ballroom Foyer) <b>6:30-8:00pm</b> > Farewell Banquet (Statler Hotel Ballroom) <b>7:45-8:15pm</b> ~ shuttle available	
<b>7:00-9:30pm</b>	> Social Lounge Open > Special Activity: Ice Cream Social @8:00pm	*Social Lounge Open >7:30pm Special Activity: Keynote Speaker @ Klarman Hall ~7:00pm shuttle	*Social Lounge Open *Special Activity: Pins and Needles Broadway Hits @ 8pm	*Social Lounge Open *Special Activity: Bingo @ 8pm	*Social Lounge Open *Special Activity: Nature Hike @ 7:30pm		
<b>9:30pm</b>	Social Lounge service ends	Social Lounge service ends	Social Lounge service ends	Social Lounge service ends	Social Lounge service ends	Social Lounge service ends	

**Addresses:**

Kennedy Hall - 215 Garden Ave, Ithaca, NY 14850  
 Museum of the Earth - 1259 Trumansburg Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850  
 Cornell Insect Collection at Comstock Hall - 129 Garden Ave, Ithaca, NY 14853  
 Bailey Conservatory - 236 Tower Rd, Ithaca, NY 14853  
 Lab of Ornithology - 159 Sapsucker Woods Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850  
 Toni Morrison Dining Hall - (> Group Dinners) 18 Sisson Pl, Ithaca, NY 14850  
 Balch Hall CAU Headquarters - 600 Thurston Ave. Ithaca, NY 14850  
 Klarman Hall KG70: Rhodes Rawlings Auditorium - (>Keynote Speaker) 232 Feeney Wy, Ithaca, NY 14850