

Mississippi River NEXUS Experience Planning

activity	time/structure (group/individ)	season	notes
Healing Place Festival	2 hours-students on own, with pre-visit instructions 9/9 11-3PM; walk or NiceRide; USBank Stadium light-rail stop is 3 blocks away.	fall	During and parallel to fall activities, students begin field notebooks, learn who other members of cohort are, identify general areas of interest for their project. They may/may not want to undertake additional field trip activities during this season. Field trips to Mill City Museum, Science Museum/NPS, Fort Snelling Visitor Center, and Water Bar should be done some time during the year, either together or on own schedule. Keep notes and reflections/photos, etc. of trip
Introd to ecol restoration	2 hours-Prof Bierbauer w/group; date/time TBD; outside Middlebrook	fall	
Wilderness Inquiry paddle	2 hours + students in group; Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	fall	
convening/gathering/sharing thoughts	1.5 hours between Healing Place & other activities; Pat Nunnally; in Middlebrook	fall	
Entymology and migration	1.5 hours outside, Prof. Ferrington and Matt Bribitzer-Stull	fall	
History talk	Pat Nunally (+ others?) Nov 1-1.5 hours/group; in Middlebrook; Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	winter	
Geology talk	Jay Bell? Dec 1-1.5 hours group; in Middlebrook; Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	winter	During winter, students will gather as a cohort for discussions/talks and will be able, on their own, to begin work on their project and taking field trips.

arts/culture and engagement talk	Chris Baeumler (+ others?) Jan/Feb 1-1.5 hours group; in Middlebrook; Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	winter	
"The river, the park, and U"	NPS ranger Feb/Mar 1-1.5 hours group; outside or in Middlebrook; Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	winter	
Seasonal change and restoration	Prof. Bierbauer led; possibly in conjunction with a non-for-profit group; 2 hours	spring	Spring (?) in Minnesota is short, and outdoor activities get all jammed into the same block of time as end-of-school academic work. Careful scheduling needed!
Participate in broader organized cleanup/restoration (Earth Day?)	Organized and scheduled in Fall; possibly combine with the activity above; 2 hours; Prof. Bierbauer, Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	spring	15 hours to work on final project; if students need help, mentoring, or check-ins, they can stop by Pat's office in 210 Northrop
Convening to reflect/share and discuss projects	Probably before spring break; 1.5 hours; in Middlebrook; Prof. Bierbauer, Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	spring	
Final cohort meeting, presentation/sharing of project work	Sometime late April? 1.5 hours; in Middlebrook; Prof. Bierbauer, Pat Nunnally, Matt Bribitzer-Stull, and/or Ian Ringgenberg in attendance	spring	