Duke Environmental Leadership (DEL-MEM) Program

Place-based Sessions

The DEL-MEM program requires students to participate in five (5) place-based sessions. Four of these sessions take place at Duke University in Durham, NC and one place-based session is held in Washington, D.C. Duke University and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security now require non-U.S. citizens entering the United States to participate in the DEL-MEM program place-based sessions to enter the United States on an F-1 student visa (business or tourist visas are NOT sufficient).

An F-1 student visa MUST be acquired in order to participate in the program, earn credit for classes taken, and graduate. This process (completion of Part II of the web form) must be completed for EACH place-based session (5 times) as the I-20 will cover only the time you are in the U.S. for each place based session (a new I-20 will be required for each place-based session).

>> Please note that you WILL incur additional expenses associated with obtaining a new I-20 and visa stamp for every residency; this includes paying the SEVIS fee for every residency.

Proof of funding is based on the estimated cost of each place-based session (plus tuition).

All Place-based Sessions require the following:

1. Complete Part II of the web form. Login instructions provided to the student.
2. Send a copy of the last page of Part II that includes your signature
3. Be sure to update your mailing address in the web form.
4. Send updated financial documents/bank statements to nsoe-registrar@duke.edu. You can send them as an email attachment if you feel comfortable in doing so. If not, mail original hard copies to Nicholas School of the Environment/308 Research Drive/Box 90330/Durham, NC 27708.
   a. Financial documents must be no more than 3 months old.
5. Pay the SEVIS fee