

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY 932
Bill Cronon's Seminar on American Environmental History

The seminar is designed to provide a general overview of the major theoretical and methodological issues of American environmental history. Emphasis will be on important themes of the historiography, including the historical migration of species, the effects of disease on human communities, the role of different land-use activities in transforming ecosystems, the effects of markets and industrialization on environmental change, changing cultural conceptions of the natural world, the relationship of environmental history to social history and other subfields, and the history of conservation and environmental politics. We will spend considerable time talking practically about how to do research and writing in the field; those interested in doing MA or Ph.D. thesis research in environmental history (in whatever discipline) are encouraged to use the seminar to develop potential topics. The seminar does not provide a systematic chronological overview of environmental history per se, and those interested in gaining such an overview may wish to consider taking or auditing History/Geography/Environmental Studies 460 either in tandem with the seminar or as a replacement for it; the courses are designed to be complementary. The seminar is open to students in any field or program, but preference will be given to those who have a continuing research interest in the subject.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address (required!): _____ Student ID: _____

Address: _____

Department or Program: _____ Year of Study: _____

Will You Register in History or Geography? (you **MUST** choose one) _____

Relevant Coursework: _____

Relevant Experience: _____

IMPORTANT: On the other side of this sheet, please write a brief statement describing how this course fits into your overall program of study and career goals. Why do you wish to take it? Are there any special perspectives or contributions that you believe you'll be able to share with other members of the class?

This application must be placed in Bill Cronon's History Department mailbox on the fifth floor of the Mosse Humanities Building **BY NO LATER THAN NOON ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1** to assure full consideration. Admission to the seminar will be decided shortly after April 1, in time for people to web register for the course, and late requests for admission are not likely to be granted.