



**HOUSING POLICY:** Due to the nature of the Trailblazer experience a variety of non-traditional housing accommodations may be encountered. This may include temporary and wilderness structures and/or mixed gender sleeping arrangements. For more information about housing options while participating in Trailblazer contact [Orientation\\_Advisor@une.edu](mailto:Orientation_Advisor@une.edu).

**DISABILITY SERVICES:** Any student that has a qualified disability may receive reasonable accommodations through the office of Disability Services. For more information please email [bcdisabilityservices@une.edu](mailto:bcdisabilityservices@une.edu) or call (207) 602-2815.

**DINING SERVICES:** Please alert us of any allergies you may have so that we can make the appropriate accommodations. If you will be observing a religious holiday in June be sure to alert us of any restrictions, you may have.

**CULTURAL & SPIRITUAL:** UNE Orientation will make its best effort to accommodate all religious backgrounds. Students and families observing religious holidays and celebrations are encouraged to contact us at 207-602-2447 to arrange accommodations.

**INSTRUCTORS:** The University of New England takes great pride in our Student Orientation Leaders. Each activity is led by these Orientation Leaders after extensive training. Overnight trips are also supervised by a mix of UNE faculty and Staff and/or professional guides with expertise in their respective fields. The combination of student leaders and professionals provides a safe experience while also allowing fun and flexibility for individual needs.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** To receive a full refund please notify us within 30 days of your scheduled program. Within 30 days of the program start date no refund will be given. Every effort will be made to reschedule your program on a space available basis.



## Next Steps

Choose your session:

-Session One: June 16-21

-Session Two: June 23-28

Dates include Orientation and Pre-Orientation

Register online at [une.edu/newnoreasters](http://une.edu/newnoreasters)

-Select your trip preferences

Cost: \$99

p: 207-602-2447

e: [orientation\\_advisor@une.edu](mailto:orientation_advisor@une.edu)

w: [une.edu/newnoreasters](http://une.edu/newnoreasters)

# Trailblazer Trip Descriptions

## Research Science

Working with renowned UNE faculty you will participate in several research projects on and off campus. Projects may include shark research, kelp farming, American Chestnut research, participation in avian research, and more! We will be sure to have some fun exploring the Biddeford area too! Exact projects are subject to research need and adverse weather.

## Canoe Camping

What better than to spend four days with your new friends paddling the lakes of Western Maine and Northern New Hampshire? This program partners with the Appalachian Mountain Club to provide an outstanding opportunity to explore the wilderness of Maine & NH by canoe. While camping, students will engage with their peers and enjoy the time spent outdoors, sleeping in tents, and cooking meals on small camp stoves. Students should be comfortable in a canoe, but no experience is necessary.

## Wellness Wayfarer

Partnering with UNE's Health and Wellness Educator, this four day trip to Newry, ME focuses on whole body wellness. Start your day with yoga, head to the local market to learn about nutrition, then return to your lodge and prepare your community feast. Immerse yourself in healthy living while making fast friends with those around you!

## Creeks and Crags

This is a four-day, three-night outdoor learning experience partnering with The Appalachian Mountain Club and focusing on life at UNE. Students will be transported to The White Mountains to explore and experience all that the Pinkham Notch region has to offer. Waterfalls, rivers, hikes, and an overnight away from the road! Students will work together to prepare meals and carry out community chores. Students should be comfortable hiking and canoeing 1-3+ miles a day, but no experience is required.

## Wild Waters

Are you ready for adventure? Join us for this fantastic whitewater-kayaking trip with the Appalachian Mountain Club. From your base camp in Pinkham Notch, NH you will explore the wild rivers of the north country for four days and three nights learning new techniques and skills along the way. Each morning you will wake from your tents and travel to a new river of increasing difficulty, then return to base camp for a hearty home cooked meal before stargazing the night away. No experience is necessary.

## Momentous Mountains

If you are a hiker, this is the trip for you. This is a four-day, three night outdoor learning experience partnering with The Appalachian Mountain Club and focusing on life at UNE. Students will hike from campsite to campsite in the historic White Mountains. While camping, students will engage with their peers and enjoy the time spent outdoors, sleeping in tents, and cooking meals on small camp stoves. Students should be comfortable hiking 3-5+ miles a day over moderate terrain with a backpack. Experience is recommended though not required.

## Nomadic Nor'Easters

This is a four day trip where students will interact with surrounding cities such as Boston and Portland, in order to gain an understanding of the many diverse cultures around us. Students will travel to Boston and explore different subsections of the city before returning to UNE and exploring Portland. This will be a great opportunity for students who are interested in studying abroad and learning more about cultural diversity.

## Kayak Adventure

This is a four day outdoor learning experience partnering with Rippleffect and focusing on life at UNE. Students will ride the ferry out to scenic Cow Island in historic Casco Bay where they will prepare for a kayaking trip across Casco Bay. Each day you will kayak to a new island to explore. Set up camp, cook meals together, and maybe see the northern lights! This trip will be camping away from modern facilities in tents that you carry with you in your kayak. Students should be comfortable around water and in outdoor situations, but no experience is required.

## Island Adventure

This is a four day outdoor learning experience partnering with Rippleffect and focusing on life at UNE. Students will ride the ferry out to scenic Cow Island in historic Casco Bay where they will spend three nights. During this trip, students will do some entry-level sea kayaking around Cow Island, ride the 400' zip line, climb on a climbing wall, and enjoy the camaraderie of new friendships around campfires at night. Students will work together to prepare meals and carry out community chores. Students should be comfortable around water and in outdoor situations, but no experience is required.