Wednesday, May 21, 2014
Travel
- Depart MSP at 3:10 pm, Delta #258 (connection in Amsterdam)

Thursday, May 22, 2014
Arrive Warsaw
- Arrive in Warsaw at 11:45 am on KLM #1363. SGGW van to Aramis Hotel
- Metro to downtown, walking tour of centrum
- Palace of Culture, view of Warsaw at dusk, led by Szymon Bijak
- Dinner downtown at U Szwejka (Plac Konstytucji)

Friday, May 23, 2014
SGGW University
- Breakfast at Aramis Hotel
- Orientation to SGGW system, official welcome from SGGW administration
- 9:00 “Polish Landscapes” and “Green Infrastructure of Warsaw” by prof. Barbara Szulczewska, dr. Agata Cieszewska and dr. Renata Giedych.
- Walking tour of SGGW campus, photo tips by David Hansen
- transfer luggage to ‘Nathan’s Hostel’
- Lunch in cafeteria (Bufet) in basement of Forestry Building.
- 2:00 lecture: ‘Poland: history/art/culture,’ Karolina Grobelska, SGGW Museum curator
- SGGW museum tour: current exhibition
- Assignment: each student photograph an SGGW building, landmark, people…
- Dinner together at SGGW (location TBD)
- Metro to Nathan’s Hostel, edit photos, lodging at Nathan’s Hostel

Saturday, May 24, 2014
Culture, history and respect
- Breakfast at Nathan’s Hostel
- Metro to Old Town, guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage Site by Szymon Bijak  szymon.bijak@wl.sggw.pl (MSc geography, PhD forestry)
- Assignment: individually make photos. David Hansen coaches (‘sensitive’ travel photos).
- Lunch on your own
- Choice: Warsaw Rising Museum (WWII resistance museum) or Catholic church service. Edit photos individually.
- Regroup and discuss day’s events, share with those from other tours
- Dinner together in downtown Warsaw, walking distance to Nathan’s Hostel.
Sunday, May 25, 2014
“Family allotment gardening”

- Breakfast at Nathan’s Hostel
- Bus (private or SGGW?) to family garden plot (działka), 25 KM from SGGW
- SGGW professor emeritus Albert Dudek explains history and social life associated with European community gardens
- Assignment: photography (new small groups) and interviews
- Picnic lunch, local foods and beer with Dudek and other families
- ‘Photographing People’, instruction by David Hansen
- Assignment: small groups visit & photograph neighbors & gardens
- Bus back to Hotel IKAR
- Photography of Plants,” presentation by David Hansen
- Small groups, edit photos and select 10-15 that communicate działka
- Dinner on your own, near campus or metro to downtown, evening free
- Lodging at Nathan’s Hostel

Monday, May 26, 2014
Wilanow: Horticulture

- 7-8:00 Breakfast at Nathan’s Hostel
- 8:30 “Poland: History and Economics,” dr. Mariusz Maciejczak.
- 10:30 SGGW bus to Wilanow Horticulture Station
  (coordinate tour and lectures with Kazimierz Tomala)
- Tour apple, cherry, plum orchard. Tour medicinal plants.
- Assignment: Photos (small groups) & walking interviews with director of Wilanow orchard & fruit storage, Romuald Dziuban and dr. Anna Geszprych with medicinal plants.
- 1:00 bus back to SGGW, eat in bufet at SGGW, __________ building?
- 2:30 Lecture: ‘Fruit Breeding’ by prof Andrzej Przybyła
- 3:15 Lecture: ‘Fruit After Harvest’ by prof Kazimierz Tomala
- 4:00 Participation in (and photos of) ‘Sensory Evaluation of Apples’ with prof Janina Gojc-Wolska.
- 5:30 walk to Hotel IKAR
- 5:30-7:00 Groups edit photos and assemble 12-15 best images, including at least two from each individual. Critique & compare with another group.
- Dinner and social with economics students of dr. Mariusz Maciejcak ???
- Lodging at Nathan’s Hostel

Tuesday, May 27, 2014.
IBL: Forestry

- 7-7:45 Breakfast at Nathan’s Hostel
- 7:45-8:15 Pack your bags and load them onto bus.
- 8:15 Bus leaves promptly. 45 minutes to Forest Research Institute (IBL).
- At IBL you will tour, observe, photograph and participate in IBL environmental education activities for school age children.
- 9:00 Introduction to IBL, day’s schedule, purpose of activities (30 min.)
9:30 Choose 2 of the following activities:
  o Tree species recognition (30 min.)
  o Artwork: field sketching (30 min.)
  o Multimedia presentation of leaves, flowers, fruits (30 min.)
  o Interactive method of drawing & identifying tree species (30 min.)
  o Gym in the trees (30 min.)
10:30 Movie: Białowieski National Park (30 min.)
11:00 Small groups compete in ‘Biodiversity’ contest
  o Self-test: trees, forest flowers, mushrooms, birds, mammals
  o Interactive aids: photographs, magnetic boards, models of wood
  o Collection of antlers, award for ‘Forest Concert’
12:00 Interactive outdoor path, ‘On the pine trail’
12:30 Review: collection of plants and interactive educational displays
1:00 Feast of traditional foods, campfire, time to relax and interact
2:00 Recreational and educational path, ‘Movement in the animal world’
2:45 Closing, conclusions
(If time allows: tour certified research lab, ‘Chemistry of Forest Environment’
Assignment: small groups photograph an educator and activity
3:00 or 4:00 Bus departs, 1+ hour to Rogow
Check in to rooms at Rogow (bursa or Dom Pod Bukiem)
‘Controlling Light, Wind, and Moisture,’ presentation by David Hansen
Walk to neighborhood tavernas, with SGGW students?

Wednesday, May 28, 2014
Rogow, SGGW Arboretum & Nursery

Breakfast SGGW cafeteria, Rogow (all food service provided by: www.cateringkarp.pl, Robert Karp, arranged by SGGW)
Guided tour of Rogow Arboretum. Compare azaleas, dogwoods & roses with those at U of MN. Piotr Banaszczak, arboretum manager, leads tour.
Demonstration of close-up techniques, background selection, David Hansen
Lunch, SGGW cafeteria, Rogow
Tour forest and ornamental nurseries, demonstration of seedling removal and planting by Joanna Dzwonkowska (husband is silviculture).
Small groups: edit photos
Return to the field and reshoot to improve results
Dinner at SGGW cafeteria, with SGGW students
‘Photography of Small Grains,’ David Hansen
Group discussion of SGGW Arboretum compared with U of MN Arboretum (facilities, exhibits, education, plant species, climate…)
Time with SGGW students
Groups edit photos and assemble 12-15 best images, including at least two from each individual. Critique & compare with another group.
Thursday, May 29, 2014  
Zelazna, Crops Research

- Breakfast at SGGW cafeteria, Rogow
- Bus to SGGW Zelazna experiment station: carrots, onions, cabbage, potatoes, rapeseed, wheat, fish farm, and sheep. Edward Pawlik, director.
- **Assignment**: Individually photograph two species (from extreme close-up to landscape)
- Bag lunch (brought from Rogow)
- Bus to Żlota Jagoda blueberry farm/nursery, started by a young entrepreneur (SGGW graduate?)
- **Assignment**: Individually photograph blossoms and plant propagation
- Bus back to SGGW Rogow.
- Edit images and select your best, write caption/journal entry
- Dinner at SGGW cafeteria, Rogow
- Evening free: walk village, edit photos, or go out with SGGW students

Friday, May 30, 2014  
Rogow: Forestry

- Breakfast at SGGW cafeteria, Rogow
- Tour of Forest Learning Center and museum, forest education for children
- ‘Introduction to Poland Forests,’ Grzegorz Wasilewski
- Tour forest research plots and see management of the Rogow forest, Michal Dzwonkowski
- **Assignment**: in small groups, interview scientists and take forest photos
- Groups edit photos and assemble 12-15 best images, including at least two from each individual. Critique & compare with another group.
- Select your own best photo, make journal entry & catch up any missed days
- Traditional dinner, served outside under the shelter and around a campfire, SGGW students invited. (food service: [http://www.cateringkarp.pl](http://www.cateringkarp.pl))
- Free time: with SGGW students, work on assignments, or go for a quiet walk

Saturday, May 31, 2014  
Rogow to Krakow

- Breakfast at SGGW cafeteria, Rogow
- Pack up and bus to Krakow
- Stop and tour Belchatow, Europe’s largest open pit coal mine. The attached power plant is Europe’s largest consumer of carbon. Drive up the hill made from mine excavations, view reforestation efforts and wind energy project.
- **Assignment**: document the range of sustainable energy practices you observe, and the impact of each on the landscape
- Bus to small, private swine farm (Albert Dudek’s uncle). Meet family and see 2 sows and pigs. Talk with owner about pre- vs post-communist economics.
- Tour fire station and learn the importance of this institution in small town Polish life, 2nd perhaps only to the Catholic church.
- Dinner, either at farm or in fire station (farmer is also fire chief)
- Bus continues to Krakow Agricultural University dormitory (Bogdan Wertz)
Sunday, June 1, 2014
Auschwitz
- Breakfast at dormitory (all Krakow activities are with Bogdan Wertz)
- Bus to Auschwitz Concentration Camp, guided tour
- Bus (or train) back to Krakow
- Old Town: Wawel Castle (9th century), Church of St. Adalbert (11th century)
- Dinner together at old town restaurant
- Short evening walk around the largest medieval town square in Europe
- Talking circle: Polish history, war, holocaust...

Monday, June 2, 2014
Krakow Agricultural University
- 7:00 Breakfast at dormitory
- 8:00 Faculty of Forestry, official welcome to Krakow Agricultural University
- 9:00 European soil museum, discussion and lecture about soils, dr. Broźek
- 1:00 Lunch in KAU buffet
- 1:30 Meet students from Faculty of Forestry photo club and Bogdan Wertz
- 3:00 Walking tour of Krakow, with Bogdan
- Dinner at University

Tuesday, June 3, 2014
Niepolomice and Krynica
- 7-7:30 Breakfast in dormitory
- 8:00 Bus leaves to Niepolomice forest
- 9:30 Niepolomice Forest District tour. Dr. Marcin Pietrzykowski coordinates.
- Assignment: photograph sustainable forestry practices
- Lunch: barbeque and bonfire
- Bus to Krynica
- Possible visit to agritourism farm (Iwkowa, Stary Sącz, Łabowa, Nawojowa?) that offers farm holiday/vacation. Document how this may enable a more sustainable future for small scale agriculture in Poland. (alternate stop tomorrow)
- Arrive at Krynica forestry station of Krakow Agricultural University. Check into rooms, orientation
- Dinner/feast of wild boar, by the camp fire
- Free time to walk, edit photos, meet Polish students in this mountain retreat

Wednesday, June 4, 2014
Krynica to Zakopane
- Breakfast in Krynica dormitory
- 'Mountain Forestry,' short trip to Jaworzyna to meet local foresters (Bogacz, Urban) and walk and photograph forest.
• **Assignment:** on the hike, make photos to illustrate the different plant zones as the elevation changes and document the protection of soil
• Bag lunch on hike (or lunch in Krynica dormitory if schedule allows)
• Pack your bags, board bus for trip to Zakopane.
• Possible agritourism stop at Tylicz
• Visit monastery at Powroźnik, guided tour
• Arrive Zakopane area, check in to SGGW Marymont, B&B, conference center
• Individually, edit photos and assemble 10-15 best images from the last 4 days before you lose track. Critique & compare with others. Catch up on your portfolio captioning.

**Free time, enjoy the mountain environment!**

**Thursday, June 5, 2014**

**Zakopane**

• 8:00 Breakfast at Marymont
• Orientation to Marymont facilities
• Tatra Mountains National Park,’ greeting from retired park superintendent Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn and his daughter Clementine.
• Walk with park guide/naturalist. (and Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn?)
• Lunch at Marymont
• Orientation to Tatra National Park, mountains, forests, history, deforestation, reforestation and research... organized by Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn, presented by park naturalist.
• Dinner at Marymont
• Free time or ‘Tatra Wildlife,’ presentation by park naturalist

**Friday, June 6, 2014**

**Tatra Mountains**

• Breakfast at Marymont
• Bus to private dairy farm (Fatla Wladyslaw) and ‘high plains’ agriculture
• **Assignment:** individual photos of agriculture and rural life in Tatra Mts.
• Lunch at Marymont
• Walk to sheep herder hut and see how smoked Oscypek cheese is made.
• Traditional dinner and music, organized by Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn and Clementine, around campfire outside sheep herder hut.

**Saturday, June 7, 2014**

**Tatra Mountains** *(weather dependent)*

• Breakfast at Marymont
• Bus to Tatra National Park headquarters, brief visit at visitor’s center
• Gondola ride to the top of Mount Kasprowy Wierch.
• 8-10 hour hike across ridge (view border between Poland and Slovakia) and down. Guided by Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn and Clementine. *(This is weather dependent.)*
• Bag lunch
• **Assignment:** photograph change in plants and forest as the elevation changes
• Bus back to Marymont
• Dinner at Marymont
• Free evening with many options, all with a partner: Bus to Zakopane for night life. Walk to local village. Sit by the river near Marymont. Relax on your balcony. Sauna at Marymont.

**Sunday, June 8, 2014**
**Zakopane**

• Breakfast at Marymont
• Today also has many options, all near Zakopane. Organize small groups and decide what you’d like to see. **Lunch on your own.**
• Jaszczurowka: historic wooden church
• Krzepkowki: Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, visited by Pope John Paul II
• Zakopane: walk the main street, visit high-end shops and then go under the highway bridge and check out the lower-end stalls
• Dinner at Marymont
• Individually, edit photos and assemble 8-12 best images from the last 3 days. Critique & compare with others. Catch up on your portfolio captioning.

**Monday, June 9, 2014**
**Tatra Mountains**

• Breakfast at Marymont
• Tour and hiking in the ‘8 Villages’ cooperative to view private management of the Witow forest. See results, and hear opinions, of the sustainability of their management compared with that in the national park.
• **Assignment:** in small groups, photograph examples of sustainable forestry practices, compare with less desirable and historic practices.
• Bag lunch or lunch at Marymont
• 4-hour hike through Mietusia Polina with park guide/naturalist or Wojtek Gasienica-Byrcn
• Dinner at Marymont
• Bus to a natural hot springs, thermal spa

**Tuesday, June 10, 2014**
**Zakopane to Warsaw**

• Breakfast at Marymont
• 8:00 Pack up and take mini-bus to train station.
• 8:30 Board train to Krakow-Glowny, (arrive 12:54)
• 14:20 Board train to Warsaw-Centralna (arrive 19:40)
• Metro to Oki Doki Hostel.
• 20:30 Dinner at restaurant within walking distance of hostel
• At hostel: small groups edit photos and start work on final presentations
Wednesday, June 11, 2014
Warsaw

- Breakfast at Oki Doki Hostel
- Metr to SGGW, bus to Wilanow Palace Museum and park for guided tour (Szymon Bijak? Or provided by museum?)
- Lunch together outside Palace, at individual expense
- Bus to SGGW livestock farm at Wilanow-Obory, tour dairy facilities
- Brief history of livestock breeding, animal health care, housing, welfare… Wojciech Suwara, director. (dairy manager would lead tour)
- **Assignment**: Photography (small groups) of Holsteins and people working with them (wear clothes that can get dirty, yet are acceptable at Embassy!)
- 2:00 bus to U.S. Embassy (windows open, leave cow smells behind)
- 3:00 U.S. Embassy. Political/Economic and Agricultural brifing
- Metro to hostel
- Small groups edit photos and work on final presentations
- Any group that is finished may give their presentation
- Instructor-led trip via Metro to end of the line at ‘Kabaty’ and visit a typical suburban shopping mall and grocery/general store, ‘Tesco’.
- Dinner together, return on Metro to Oki Doki Hostel
- Evening free or work on presentations

Thursday, June 12, 2014
Warsaw

- Breakfast at Oki Doki Hostel
- Walk to Centrum
- Palace of Culture, guided tour, Szymon Bijak
- Centrum, visit shop that sells Polish handicrafts from all regions of the country (good place to buy authentic hand crafts, if you haven’t already)
- Lunch as a group
- Choice: re-visit Old Town or Museum of Game/Hunting
- Back to Oki Doki Hostel (2 groups, arriving separately)
- Metro to catered dinner at SGGW and socializing with SGGW students
- Evening on-the-town with SGGW students

Friday, June 13, 2014
Warsaw

- Breakfast at Oki Doki Hostel
- Group discussion and opinions of economics and post-WWII history, led by dr. Maciejczak (May 26 lecturer), invite his students to participate.
- Lunch at SGGW bufet
- Hotel: talking circle, whole group conversation about similarities and differences of Poland and Minnesota: geography, culture, climate, crops, sustainability efforts, foods, history… Invite SGGW Museum curator, Karolina Grobelska (May 23 presenter) to lead.
- Any group that is finished may give their presentation
- Dinner as a group, downtown, U Szwejka (Plac Konstytucji) or group’s choice
• Metro or walk to Oki Doki Hostel

Saturday, June 14, 2014
Home

• 3:30am, van to airport
• Depart Warsaw at 6:05am, KLM #1362, connection in Amsterdam
• Arrive MSP at 12:15pm