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North OPTIONS Trip Details:
Our base camp is the 60-acre Penobscot Outdoor Center (POC), with its amazing views of Mt. Katahdin, great tent-camp sites with a group campfire ring, and outdoor volleyball courts. Meals will be cooked and served outdoors.

- **Wednesday August 26**: Drop off your belongings at your dorm at 1:00 p.m., check in at the Rec Center parking lot, and leave for the POC at 3:00 p.m.
- **Thursday August 27**: Embark on an adventure activity of your choice (hiking, rock climbing, canoeing, sea kayaking), before returning to camp for supper and group activities.
- **Friday August 28**: Go whitewater rafting on the “gorge section” of the Penobscot River. Return to campus in the afternoon.

**Fee:** $250

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South OPTIONS Trip Details:
Our base camp is the 25-acre Blueberry Cove camp in Tenant’s Harbor. The bunkhouse cabins are nestled in a mature spruce forest with 1400’ of protected ocean frontage, a swimming beach, and a 1/2-acre organic garden. Meals will be served buffet-style in the dining hall.

- **Wednesday August 26**: Drop off your belongings at your dorm at 1:00 p.m., check in at the Rec Center parking lot, and leave for Blueberry Cove at 3:00 p.m.
- **Thursday August 27**: Embark on an adventure activity of your choice (hiking, canoeing, stand-up paddleboarding) to start your day. Upon returning to camp there will be time for group recreation activities for those who wish. Possible group activity options include fitness classes, swimming, or a trail run.
- **Friday August 28**: Embark from Belfast Harbor on a a schooner adventure. Return to campus in the afternoon.

**Fee:** $300

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Extended North OPTIONS Trip Details:
This Extended North OPTIONS trip is part of North OPTIONS, and begins three days prior. Choose between:

**Baxter Traverse North to South:** Start at the North Gate of Baxter State Park. Hike south, camping along the way, before attempting to summit Katahdin.

**Penobscot River Canoeing:** Enjoy all the luxuries canoe-camping has to offer! We will spend 4 days canoeing along the beautiful Penobscot River Corridor, culminating with a scenic paddle to our take-out on Chesuncook Lake.

**Extended North OPTIONS Trip Itinerary:**
- **Sunday August 23**: Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Maine Bound Adventure Center, travel to your chosen destination.
- **Monday August 24 - Tuesday August 25**: Traverse Baxter State Park from North to South, or canoe along the Penobscot River and Chesuncook Lake.
- **Wednesday August 26**: Finish your multi-day adventure and join the North OPTIONS group at Penobscot Outdoor Center.

**Fee:** $175

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**Early Arrival:** $25
Arrive at the Maine Bound Adventure Center (MBAC) after 4:00 p.m. on Saturday August 22, and stay overnight. Dinner and activities are included in fee. Please indicate on the registration form if you want to stay Saturday night.