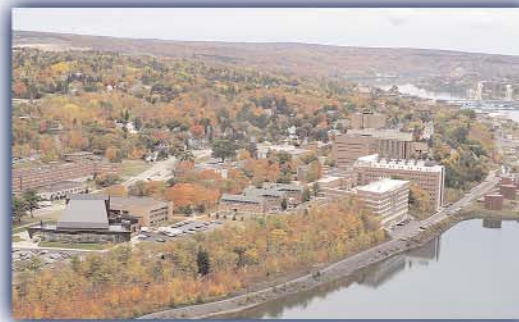




Our students have served in Bolivia, Botswana, Bulgaria, Cameroon, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, the Gambia, Ghana, Gabon, Honduras, Jamaica, Mali, Morocco, Nepal, Panama, Paraguay, Samoa, the Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Togo, the Ukraine, and Vanuatu.



About Michigan Tech and Houghton

Michigan Tech, founded in 1885, has gained world-wide recognition for innovative education and scholarship.

Our graduate students receive intensive, advanced instruction and the opportunity to pursue wide-ranging research.

Houghton lies in the heart of Upper Michigan's scenic Keweenaw Peninsula. The campus overlooks Portage Lake and is just a few miles from Lake Superior. The area's expansive waters and forests, including the University's 600-acre recreational forest adjoining campus, offer students unparalleled opportunity for outdoor recreation.

Houghton has a population of 7,400 residents. The University's more than 6,600 students from many states and foreign countries make the area a vibrant multicultural community.

Houghton is rated the safest college town in Michigan and the eighth-safest in the nation. It also has been called one of the nation's top-ten summer sports areas, and one of the top-ten best places in the country to live.

A graduate student hike in Porcupine Mountains State Park.



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The Loret Miller Ruppe Peace Corps Master's International Program in Forestry has been in existence since 1996. The program is named for Houghton resident Loret Miller Ruppe, the longest serving director of the Peace Corps. Students from a wide range of academic backgrounds enter the program. Current students have undergraduate degrees in fine arts, music, mathematics, anthropology, biology, philosophy, history, chemistry, and French.

The first year is spent on campus developing skills with a focus on North American forestry, international development, and community forestry. Students then serve two years and three months overseas with the Peace Corps. The final semester is spent on campus writing a thesis.

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The Civil and Environmental Engineering Master's International Program is the only Peace Corps Master's International Program in engineering in the US. Students generally have an engineering undergraduate degree, but may also enter the program with a degree in a closely related field. Students spend two or three semesters on campus completing the course work portion of the degree program.

Students then spend three months in Peace Corps training, followed by two years of Peace Corps service. Students return to campus to write a project paper or thesis based upon their Peace Corps work. During their Peace Corps service, students have worked on a range of projects designed to improve the quality of life for the citizens of developing countries.

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*—Dr. John Hogan
Associate Director of Peace Corps*



The Peace Corps Fellows Master's Program at Michigan Tech is run in cooperation with the US Forest Service Content Analysis Team in Salt Lake City. The Fellows Program is open to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers who have completed two years of service in a natural resources field. During the first year at the Michigan Tech campus, the course work focuses on natural resource policy.

The program has two tracks, one for students with an undergraduate degree in the social sciences and one for students with an undergraduate degree in the biophysical sciences.

During the second and third years, students participate in the Forest Service Residency Program in Salt Lake City. Program graduates will have a master's degree in forestry and the skills, experience, and knowledge to work with the public and diverse professionals in the development of resource management projects.

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