



Northern region dynamics: natural and cultural aspects

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Place or route

Cree and Inuit community in
Whapmagoostui-Kuujuarapik

Duration

5 days

Capacity

To be determined

Cost

To be determined

Note

Don't forget your bug spray!

This will be a 5-day trip in the Whapmagoostui – Kuujuarapik region. We will visit a Cree and Inuit community located on the southeastern shore of Hudson Bay (Nunavik) (Figure 1). Since 1968, researchers from the Centre d'études nordiques (CEN) and their colleagues have been conducting research on ecosystems and geosystems and have documented environmental changes over the long, medium and short-term in the region (Bhiry et al. 2011). The participants will acquire knowledge and make field observations in matters relating to geology, littoral geomorphology, eolian and periglacial features (peat land) (Figure 2) and biogeography (Figure 3). We will also explore the sociocultural and political aspects of life in Cree and Inuit communities, with a particular focus on cultural transmission and valorisation as well as territorial and natural resource management.

The participants will stay at the CEN research station at Whapmagoostui – Kuujuarapik (Figure 4). We will travel to the observation sites on foot and by truck, boat or helicopter. Do not forget to bring your rain gear, your fly and mosquito repellent, your camera and your positive attitude!



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