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Michael Beman
Earth Semester '98
Sophomore
Geology and Geophysics
Yale University

"Understanding the complex rules of life requires great vision. The potential at Biosphere 2 for teaching and learning about these phenomena is enormous. Earth Semester students are learning — from a team of physical, biological and social scientists — how the Earth and environment function. This approach is greatly needed in undergraduate education."

Peter Raven, Ph.D. Director Missouri Botanical Garden

"In most academic settings, students are fed pages of processed data. This approach contrasts greatly with that utilized by the Biosphere 2 educational programs, in which students become a part of a process for understanding how earth systems function. Industry needs a workforce that has this larger understanding."

Phillip Dougherty, Ph.D. Forest Ecophysiologist Westvaco

"At Biosphere 2, our students get an extraordinary education in the link between quantitative and qualitative thinking in an important area. This helps them — particularly our liberal arts majors — become more interested in other technical fields."

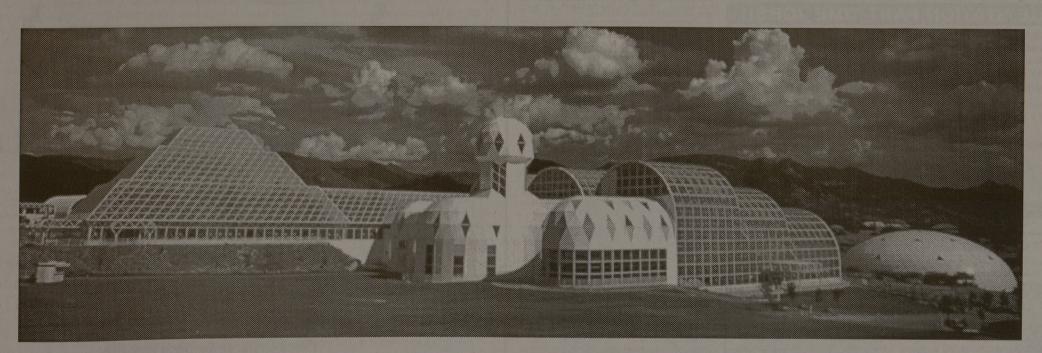
Walter E. Massey, Ph.D.
President
Morehouse College and
Past President
National Science Foundation

"Biosphere 2 is a fabulous experimental facility. It allows students to learn about the roles of organisms in many representative environments — soil, forests, oceans — and to foresee how these systems may respond to a changing world."

Diana H. Wall, Ph.D.
Professor and Director
Natural Resource Ecology Lab
Colorado State University

"The faculty blew me away . . . what a pleasure good, enthusiastic, caring teachers can make out of an academic experience."

Jenee Rowe
Earth Semester '98
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