

The University of Georgia (UGA) Summer Geology Field School will be held in the Cañon City embayment of the Colorado Rocky Mountains. Our faculty view this course as a capstone course which requires students to integrate their classroom education with observations of geology in the field. Elements of all your undergraduate geology courses will be utilized in interpreting field relations in an environment where rock exposures are spectacular.

Headquarters will be at the Abbey in Cañon City, Colorado. Mail to the field school should be addressed as:

UGA Geology Camp
c/o the Abbey
P.O. Box 1510
Cañon City, CO 81215-1510

The field school may be reached during business hours by telephone at 719-275-8631. Accompanying this letter you will find an application form, an equipment list, and a disclaimer; non-UGA students will also find a short set of instructions for registering at UGA. You must have medical insurance to attend this course. **Please fill out the application form and disclaimer and return them along with a \$200 deposit to Professor Michael Roden, Department of Geology, University of Georgia, Athens GA 30602-2501 by March 23.** Checks should be made out to the University of Georgia.

Below is some general information concerning the field school. Please read it carefully.

Transportation. Roundtrip transportation from Athens, Georgia to Cañon City, Colorado is provided in university vans. Non-UGA students should contact Michael Roden (mroden@gly.uga.edu) regarding their transportation plans - we encourage non-UGA students to travel to Athens to depart with the rest of the group, but other arrangements are acceptable.

Private cars are not encouraged but may be taken by prior arrangement. Private cars generally travel in caravan with the University vans to Cañon City. Fuel and other expenses must be borne by the owner of private vehicles.

Students may arrange to fly home from Colorado Springs at the end of the program. Please consult with Michael Roden **prior** to purchasing your ticket. Otherwise, we will depart from Cañon City for the return to Athens.

Lodging and Meals. Students and staff will be housed in a dormitory at a former boy's school at the Abbey. Students will have individual rooms; sheets and towels are supplied. Breakfast and dinner will be provided by the Abbey, Monday through Friday; breakfast on Saturday will also be provided. Lunch makings will be provided by the Field Camp Monday through Saturday. Stu-

dents are responsible for meals on Saturday night and Sunday. On field trips, students will be reimbursed for meals normally supplied by the Abbey (that is, Monday-Friday meals) and will be responsible for their own meals. Generally, students and staff pool their resources for food during these trips.

Camping. We will camp out during several field trips. A warm sleeping bag is an **absolute** necessity. At higher elevations, temperatures can be in the teens at night. In the past, several students have attempted to sleep in the vans when it was very cold - seeking refuge in a metal box provides no extra heat! You should have a reliable tent, or arrange to share a tent with someone. Although we won't be doing any extreme sorts of outdoor things, good quality equipment is a must.

Registration. UGA students with completed application materials packages will be registered for 6 hours of GLY 4270 during the month of May. Undergraduates from other schools must be admitted to UGA as a summer transient student (see letter for non-UGA applicants) and should register for 6 hours of GLY 4270. This entails obtaining a transcript indicating that you are in good standing and proving that you have been vaccinated for measles, mumps and rubella. Non-UGA students should send the medical forms to Medical Records, Gilbert Health Center, University of Georgia, Athens GA 30602, or fax them to the Gilbert Health Center at 706-542-4959. **A copy should also be faxed to Michael Roden at 706-542-2425.** Tuition is not paid at registration but is taken out of the fees that you pay the University of Georgia (see below).

Fees. Fees are \$3150. These fees pay tuition and include lodging, most meals and transportation as described above. A deposit of \$200 is required with the application; this fee will be refunded only if the student is not accepted in the program.

the \$2850 will be refunded if the student is unable to participate in GEOL 4270. We will work with HOPE scholarship or other scholarship recipients to facilitate payment. Checks should be made out to "The University of Georgia" and given to Michael Roden, for both UGA and non-UGA students. Students for which this payment schedule causes hardship should see or contact Michael Roden as soon as possible to make alternative arrangements.

Waiver of Liability. Please sign the "Release, Waiver of Liability and Covenant Not to Sue" and return it with the application materials. You may find the wording in this document somewhat harsh but the wording is supplied to us and other similar courses by the Board of Regents and does not reflect the safety record of the field camp.

Personal Conduct. Please sign the "Rules and Code of Conduct" and return it with the application materials. Students are expected to respect the property and rights of others throughout the trip. See the UGA Student Handbook for further information.

Health and Accident Insurance. Some form of health insurance is required. You may be covered by a family or college plan. Alternatively, you may wish to enroll in the UGA plan. Please contact Gilbert Health Center for further information.

Equipment. Please read carefully the enclosed equipment list and bring with you the required supplies.

If you have additional questions, please e-mail Doug Crowe at Crowe@gly.uga.edu.

Sincerely,

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