SYLLABUS
EES 341 LEHIGH FIELD CAMP (6 CREDITS)
SUMMER SEMESTER 2019
28 MAY – 30 JUNE

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Staff: Four Teaching Assistants

Prerequisites: Introduction or gateway course to Earth and Environmental Sciences (Physical
Geology, Intro to Environmental Science or equivalent), Earth Materials
(Mineralogy, Petrology), Structural Geology, Sedimentology-Stratigraphy,
Hydrogeology, or equivalents. Deficiencies handled by petition.


Scope: Synoptic, capstone field experience for geology and Earth science majors.
Instruction on how to make, read, and interpret geologic maps and how to
envision field problems and collect data. Using of the field, field geologic
relationships, and the concepts of geological mapping as the vehicle towards
development of a professional earth scientist.

Format: Several multi-day, multi-partner field mapping projects, instructed by one or
more faculty, and one or more staff. Projects contain an in the field group
component, and a map drafting and writing individual component.

Grading: Grades are based on the quality of projects produced during all of the exercises.
Students are evaluated based on their own individual work. The breakdown is:

Cross country trip, landscape evolution, notebook, class participation (first half) 10%
Holocene and Pleistocene shorelines, lake processes, and paleoecology (Michigan/Wisconsin) 15%
Geologic mapping and Mesozoic stratigraphy (Badlands) 10%
Paleozoic stratigraphy and structure mapping (Bighorn Mtns) 15%
Sequence stratigraphy (Bighorn Mtns) 15%
Volcanic rocks and active tectonics (Yellowstone), notebook, class participation (second half) 5%
Active tectonics, glacial, alluvial, and fluvial landforms, large scale temporal integration 15%
Metamorphic core complex, large scale spatial integration 15%
2019 Field Camp Schedule

T 28 May  Students Arrive, 4pm Camp meeting

W 29 May  Early start, Drive (590 mi), Southeast Michigan, Pickup at DTW(4pm).
Ohio Valley mixed hardwood forest.

R 30 May  Drive (360 mi), Lunch Macinaw lighthouse/bridge, Camp Upper Peninsula Michigan
UP shorelines, upper midwest mixed hardwood and conifer forest.

F 31 May  Drive (230 mi), Camp Trout Lake WI [3 nights]
Beach and nearshore processes, Pictured Rocks NP
Wisconsin Project 1 intro

S 1 Jun   Wisconsin project 2, Peat bog coring

Su 2 Jun  Wisconsin project 3, analysis and reporting, due PM.

M 3 Jun   Drive (460 mi) Luverne MN - Camp Blue Mounds state park
Tall grass prairie, mollisol, ventefacts

T 4 Jun   Drive (350 mi), Camp Badlands NP [2 nights]
Badlands project 1, modern short grass prairie, Holocene sod tables, and Eocene paleosols.

W 5 Jun   Badlands project 2, Cenozoic sedimentology and stratigraphy, Fossils in the Sharps Fm, Pig dig
area for Brule and Chadron Fms.  Yellow Mounds geologic map.

R 6 Jun   Drive (280 mi) to Devils Tower via Rapid City / Scenic, S.D.
Mt. Rushmore, Lead Gold Mine, Devil’s Tower NM – shallow volcanic intrusives; Ponderosa
Pine forest ecosystem.

F 7 Jun   Drive (180 mi) Camp Willow Park NF.  Lunch at Willow Park; Mesozoic stratigraphic section at
Tensleep. Alpine Doug-Fir and Sub-Alpine Fir forest.

S 8 June  Drive (250 mi) Camp Ranger Creek [7 nights]
Thermopolis, Wind River Paleozoic section, hot springs.

Su 9 June  Sheep Mtn Project 1

M 10 June  Sheep Mtn Project 2

T 11 June  Sheep Mtn Project 3

W 12 June  AM Office, Sheep Mtn Due, PM Sequence stratigraphy intro - mechanics of section
measuring.

R 13 June  Sequence stratigraphy 2

F 14 June  AM Office, Seq Strat project Due,

S 15 June  Drive from Ranger Creek to Yellowstone, Old Faithful, Volcanic rocks at Tuff Cliffs and Firehole
Canyon drive.  Camp at Rock Creek outside of West Yellowstone.  [2 nights]

Su 16 June  Yellowstone free day

M 17 June  Drive (280 mi) to Mackay, ID
T 18 June  Surface processes project Day 1 – terraces and paleohydrology

W 19 June  Surface Processes Project Day 2 – glacial deposits; Wildhorse and Anderson Canyon.

R 20 June  Surface Processes Project Day 3 – alluvial fans and fault scarp; evening in Mackay

F 21 June  Surface Project Day 4, due midday. Evening: Intro to core complex project.

S 22 June  Core Complex project day 1. Rock and mineral identification, identification of deformation fabrics; set-up of 3-D block diagram.

Su 23 June  Core Complex day 2 Boulder FW hike

M 24 June  Core Complex day 3 Summit HW hike

T 25 June  AM Core Complex office morning; PM Students to Challis Hot spring

W 26 June  Drive to Mackay. Craters of the Moon. Final party in Mackay.

R 27 June  Break Camp, drive home, stay at Ogallala

F 28 June  Drive Home, stay in South Bend area.

S 29 June  Drive home, arrive Lehigh at 7:00 PM. Sleep on campus. If early arrival, OK to call for pickups.

Su 30 Jun  Students depart