GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT NEWS FOR MAJORS
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**** IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE****

THURS, NOV. 19 @ 4:10PM – GEOLOGY CLUB SPEAKER – H217
WED, NOV 25 – SUN, NOV 29, 2015 – THANKSGIVING BREAK
WED, DEC 2 & THURS, DEC 3, 2015 – GEOLOGY CLUB FUNDRAISER - JEWELRY SALE
FRI, DEC. 11, 2015 DEADLINE FOR STUDENT EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS FOR SPRING 2016

SPEAKER SERIES
Refreshments will be served at 4 p.m. All dates are Thursday; talks will begin at 4:10 p.m. and are held
in Harrington Hall Room 217, 845 Elmwood Avenue, Oshkosh WI, unless noted otherwise.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19
Davina Bonness ; Kewaunee County Soil and Water Conservation Department
Topic: “Discussing the water-quality issues in Kewaunee County”

SAVE THE DATE!!
UW-Oshkosh Geology Club Fundraiser

December 2-3, 2015
Wednesday-Thursday: 10:00am-4:00pm
Reeve Union
748 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI 54901

Exclusive Inspirations Jewelry Design will be hosted by the UW-Oshkosh Geology Club for their
Annual Holiday Fundraiser!

100’s of gemstone pendants under $10 just in time for the holidays!
Earrings, Bracelets, Pendants & Necklaces starting from $10.00
Crystals & Fossils starting from $3.00

20% of every sale will be donated to the UW-Oshkosh Geology Club!!
Come Support your Local Business and Student Organization!

www.exclusiveinspirations.com      www.uwosh.edu/geology
**** GEOLOGY MAJORS NEED TO REGISTER FOR GEOLOGY COURSE SOON! ****

If you are a Geology Major and you planning to take geology courses during the Spring Semester 2016 you should register as soon as possible.

We are at risk of having low-enrollment courses canceled.

PLANNING TO GRADUATE IN SPRING 2016??

Remember to apply for graduation by the end of this semester. Applications and information are online at: http://www.uwosh.edu/registrar/graduation/application-for-graduation

SIGMA GAMMA EPSILON (SGE)

Purpose and Objectives:
The Society of Sigma Gamma Epsilon was established to recognize scholarship and professionalism in the Earth Sciences. It has for its objectives the scholastic, scientific, and professional advancement of its members and the extension of relations of friendship and assistance among colleges and universities which are devoted to the advancement of the Earth Sciences.

Requires:
3.0 GPA in Earth Science courses
2.67 GPA overall
At least 10 semester hours in Earth Science courses completed

Fees:
New members pay a one-time $25 new initiate fee and the $15 annual fee
Renewing members pay the $15 annual fee

Members can list this membership on their resumes and can attend Geological Society of America meetings at member rates.

For more information contact Tim Paulsen or see: http://www.sigmagammaepsilon.com/index_files/Page375.htm

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANTS

The Department of Geology is pleased to announce its annual competition for undergraduate research grants. These funds are available thanks to the C.W. Fetter Endowed Research Fund, established through gifts from Dr. Fetter, emeritus faculty members, alumni, current faculty members, and friends. To qualify for one of these awards, which will average $200 to $600, a student must have submitted a research grant proposal to one or more of several undergraduate research funding sources. These grant opportunities were announced earlier in the academic year and include GSA, Sigma Xi, and UW Oshkosh (see links below for details). The proposal must have been written by the student, not the student's research collaborator on the faculty. To be considered for a Geology Research Grant, the student should submit to the Department Chair a copy of the research proposal that was submitted to one of the above sources along with a cover letter that explains how much funding has already been received and from what sources. This year's deadline for submission is March 25, 2016. Proposals will be judged based upon their scientific merit, the proposer's academic background, and the budget justification.

FYI: Places to apply for undergraduate research grants:

Geological Society of America (GSA): http://www.geosociety.org/grants/ncgrant.htm#research
REGISTER TO TAKE THE ASBOG FUNDAMENTALS OF GEOLOGY EXAMINATION

In order to become a licensed professional geologist, most states have an application process that includes taking two, nationally normed examinations administered by the National Association of Boards of Geology (ASBOG). Graduating seniors should take the first of these exams, Fundamentals of Geology, in March 2016. To register for taking the exam, you need to complete the application that can be found at this web page: http://dsps.wi.gov/Licenses-Permits/Geologist/GEOforms.

The registration deadline is January 6, 2016. Information about the exam is found on ASBOG’s web page: http://www.asbog.org/.

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY - LAB TEACHING ASSISTANTS, TUTORS AND BUILDING MONITORS - SPRING 2016

The Geology Department is now accepting applications for the spring 2016 semester for the following positions:

Laboratory Teaching Assistants (T/As) for:
- Physical Geology
- Environmental Geology
- Evolution of the Earth
- Lithology

Tutors (Mon. 5:30-7:30PM, Tues. 5:30-7:30PM, Wed. 5:30-7:30PM)

Building Monitors (Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00PM – 3PM) for the spring 2015 semester.

Even if you are currently employed in the department you need to complete an application as your interests and availability will change next semester.

The requirements for qualification as a T.A./Tutor are:

A) The student must be a major or a minor in the discipline to serve as a proctor in the Department's program.
B) The student must have completed at least 60 university credits with an accumulated GPA of at least 2.80. In addition, the student must have completed at least 15 credits (including core courses where applicable) toward his/her major or minor and must have at least a 3.00 grade point average in the courses offered by the major or minor department.
C) The student must have already completed the course for which he or she will proctor with at least a B grade. Alternatively, the student must have completed a higher level course covering the course material with at least a B grade.
D) Student must be able to TA and tutor all introductory geology courses: Physical Geology, Evolution of the Earth, and Environmental Geology. This means that as a TA or tutor, you will be prepared to answer questions or at least to know where to find answers in the text book or lab manual.

PICK UP APPLICATIONS FROM COURTNEY IN THE GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT OFFICE, HARRINGTON 215 OR ONLINE UNDER GEOLOGY - CURRENT STUDENTS - STUDENT EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION SPRING 2016. PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO COURTNEY BY DECEMBER 11, 2015.

NOTE: Students should visit the Financial Aid Office ASAP to find out if they are eligible for Work-Study. They are accepting applications NOW.

Funds are distributed to those who are eligible on a first come, first served basis. Students are encouraged to apply for Work-Study, as this will enable the Department to hire more students. Thank you!
Environmental Consulting Positions and Internships Are Available Now with Geosyntec Consultants

**Geosyntec Consultants is hiring in their Great Lakes Offices** (Chicago, Oak Brook, Milwaukee, Ann Arbor, and St. Louis). Please forward this email to your graduating students and students interested in internships. Since 1983, Geosyntec's scientists and engineers have provided our public and private clients with consulting and design services in the areas of environmental, geotechnical, and water resources engineering. An employee-owned firm, we are recognized nationally for our practice leadership, client service, and innovation. Our professionals continue to develop new technology applications and capabilities, and our applied research partnerships help define the cutting edge for all of our practice areas. We strive to provide a stimulating, progressive, and friendly work environment that will enable our staff to develop their careers as they provide the best possible service and value to our clients. Our practice areas include the following:

- Site Assessment and Remediation
- Environmental Risk Assessment
- Environmental Management
- Industrial Wastewater Treatment
- Water Resources Supply
- Landfill Design
- Geotechnical Infrastructure/Foundations
- Stormwater Management
- Erosion and Sediment Control
- NEPA Studies and Compliance
- Water Quality Studies and Permitting
- Data Management/GIS

If you are interested in applying please send me a copy of your current resume along with three professional references. For more information about Geosyntec go to [http://geosyntec.com/UI/Default.aspx](http://geosyntec.com/UI/Default.aspx)

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**Indiana University Summer Field Programs 2016: Judson Mead Geologic Field Station**

1. **G433 Geology, Hydrology and Geochemistry in the Rocky Mountains**, Dates: June 20 – August 3, 2016
3. **G129 Introductory Geology Taught in the Field**, Dates: June 5 -

To apply, or for more information, visit, [www.indiana.edu/~iugfs](http://www.indiana.edu/~iugfs)

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**TUTORING**

TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN 100-LEVEL GEOLOGY COURSES IS AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES IN HARRINGTON 114.

**Monday** -- 5:30PM - 7:30PM –
**Tuesday** -- 5:30PM - 7:30PM –
**Wednesday** -- 5:30PM - 7:30PM –

Tutors: Tucker Clark, Charlie Bills, Jennifer McLeod

Back-up Tutor: Justin Hauman

FOR THE FALL '15 SEMESTER, HARRINGTON HALL WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS FROM 1:00 TO 3:00 P.M. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEET OUTSIDE H118 IF YOU PLAN ON COMING.

***ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR ON ELMWOOD AVENUE***

YOU MUST HAVE A CURRENT AFTER-HOURS BUILDING PASS (GOOD FOR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR) TO BE ADMITTED TO THE BUILDING.

SEE COURTNEY IN THE GEOLOGY OFFICE, ROOM 215.