**2024 GEOLOGY FIELD CAMP - ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Dates**: May 18- June 24. **Location**: Sheridan College, WY; Double Diamond X Ranch, WY, K-Z Ranch.

**Application**

Please follow the links and complete an on-line field camp application. You will receive by email an acknowledgement that your application has been received. Acceptance decisions will be made by February. If you are accepted, you will have a week to decide whether you will want to join us. All accepted students will receive further information about travel to and from Illinois, registration, and final fee payment.

**Registration**

Course registration for native students will be in March or April. Once external students are accepted into Field Camp, you will then formally apply for admission to ISU as a student at large. I will send you the information as to how to do this once you have agreed to participate in camp. Once you are formally accepted to ISU, I will register you in Field Geology 395, Section 091 for six credit hours.

**Cost**

There are three parts to expenses for field camp: 1) tuition and fees charged by the University, 2) a field camp room and board fee, and 3) miscellaneous expenses, for meals etc. not covered in item 2. For the course fee and tuition, you total cost will be about $5500, as broken down below.

**Credit Hour Related Tuition and Fees**: Internal student tuition is set by the year you began at ISU. Tuition rates for external students, your tuition cost are anticipated to be about $2400

and your outreach fee will be about $700. You will be billed for this by the University. Billing for tuition and outreach fees is usually in early May. Payment and registration status can be determined from your GO ISU account.

**Field Camp Fee**: This is $2400. This fee covers expenses for University transportation, dorm rooms, meal tickets, supplies, motels, and other items as needed. The balance is due April 1. There will be an opportunity for you to earn one of several $400 scholarships administered by the Department. Please stay tuned.

**Misc. Expenses**: There are several days where meals are not part of your fee. You will probably want some money for meals on travel days, gifts, etc.

**Financial Aid**: You should check with your home institutions about your financial aid status.

**Insurance**

You must have medical insurance to participate in field camp. For external students, you are not covered by ISU insurance. For native ISU students, you must presently be a full-time student and be presently insured through the University or be registered for six hours of regular summer courses (not including FC) prior to the end of the spring session to be eligible for summer insurance.

**Departure, Travel and Arrival**

We will depart from Felmley Hall at 6:15 A.M. on May 19. The vans will arrive at the departure point shortly thereafter. External students must plan to arrive at the Central Illinois Regional Airport (BMI) on May 18, or you may be dropped off at the Normal motel if you are driving. Your field camp fee will cover the local hotels on the day prior to departure and the day that we return. Free permits to leave your car at our fleet lot are available. We should arrive home late afternoon on June 23. If you will be flying out of Normal, please plan to fly out on June 24. We will cover your night at a local hotel should you need to stay that night.

**BRING A PACKED LUNCH FOR THE TRAVEL DAY**, as we will have lunch on route in Iowa, and stay in Chamberlain SD that night. On day 2 we will drive across western South Dakota and eastern Wyoming while taking a tour of the Badlands National Monument. We should arrive in Sheridan by 6:00 P.M.