



Celebrating an Incredible Year: Big Congrats to Our Seniors and Exciting Times Ahead!



Looking back at everything you've tackled this year, from working in labs, incredible course projects, representing us at regional conferences and our recent Admitted Students Day, the accomplishments among our undergraduates have made this a banner year for our community.

A huge congratulations to our graduating seniors, you have left an indelible mark on this department! we are looking forward to celebrating your success at the Department recognition ceremony next week.



When we return in August, we will have transitioned to the **Department of Earth Science**! Fall 2026 is already looking to be an incredible semester with career fairs, the annual Geological Society of America meeting in Denver, and our own CU Earth Science Symposium. Check the "Save the Dates" below to get these events on your calendar. Have a restorative summer, and we are looking forward to Fall 2026 with all of you!

-from Anne Sheehan (Chair) and Jen Stempien (Undergraduate Chair)

Summer Information



Graduation Deadlines

April 25th is the deadline for undergraduate students to submit or cancel a **Spring 2026 graduation** application in Buff portal (11:59PM).

The Geology Department is shifting to summer mode! Here's how to stay connected and informed before we head into the break.

Summer Operations

- **Main Office:** Open Monday–Friday, **7:30 AM – 4:40 PM**.
- **Advising:** Book appointments anytime via **Buff Portal Advising**.
- **Faculty Mentoring:** Lon and Jen remain available via **email**.
- **Newsletter:** We are on hiatus until **mid-August 2026**.

Don't Miss an Update

While this newsletter is pausing, all summer news and job postings will be sent directly through the **Departmental Listserv**.

Pro Tip: If you're reading this, you're already on the list! **Stay subscribed** to keep receiving time-sensitive updates throughout the summer.

Fall 2026 Registration: Key Dates for Returning Students

Registration is currently live, but a summer pause is approaching. Review these deadlines to ensure your Fall 2026 schedule is set.

Current Phase: Open Registration

Registration is active now based on your assigned window. If you haven't registered, check your **Buff Portal** immediately to secure your preferred sections.

The Summer "Registration Break"

- **Deadline:** Access for continuing students pauses on **May 21st, 2026**.
- **The Reason:** Registration closes in June and July to allow incoming freshmen and transfer students to enroll during New Student Orientation.

Registration Re-Opens: August 13

- **Open Enrollment:** Access resumes on **Thursday, August 13th, 2026**, for final schedule adjustments.
- **Waitlists:** Monitor your email closely during this week; waitlists move rapidly once the system re-opens.

Fall Classes Begin

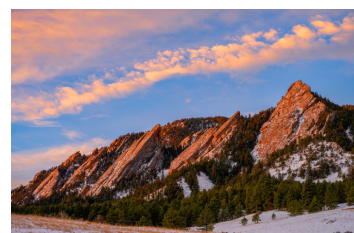
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Buff Portal Advising

Coming Soon:

Bachelor's–Accelerated Master's (**BAM**) in **Earth Science**:

Keep an eye on your colorado.edu inbox for upcoming details regarding the new Bachelor's–Accelerated Master's (BAM) program in Earth



Science in May. If you are interested in learning more now, feel free to reach out to undergrad faculty mentors, Lon Abbott or Jennifer Stempien now if you'd like to learn more!

For general information about the process and other programs, see [Pursue an Accelerated Master's Degree](#)

Summer Course: Green Finance & Policy Tools

Now offered in Summer

ENVS 4100-581:
Green Finance & Policy Tools

The money behind climate solutions and the actors, policies, and institutions that control it.

- Available this Summer 2026
- Growing climate finance - carbon markets
- Novel biodiversity finance tools - what is a Rhino bond?!
- Corporate sustainability & ESG
- Regulation for improving the financial sector

No finance or economic background needed

Highly flexible - 6 week class through Continuing Education. Taught remotely & asynchronously during summer session.

Both public & private sectors - an insight into possible career paths



Departmental Events

Thank You for Attending

A big thank you to everyone who came out to the department's end-of-year picnic! It was wonderful to gather together, celebrate the end of the academic year, and enjoy some time outside the classroom with students, faculty, and staff.

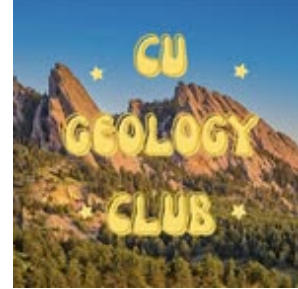
We appreciate everyone who helped make the event a success, and we're already looking forward to more opportunities to connect next year.



Thank you, Geology Club!

A huge thank-you to the Geology Club for a great semester! Your energy and commitment to building community have made a real impact across the department. We also appreciate the leadership of this year's officers:

- **Anya Keena** - President
- **Brayden Parks** - Vice President
- **Taran Renfrow** - Treasurer
- **Emma Marble & Soren Rollin** (Trip Planners)
- **Michaela Martinez & Ashley Askins** (Secretaries)
- **Amelia Fonda** - Social Media



Don't miss one of the club's final events. Join them this **Saturday, April 25th** for a hike on Fowler Trail to relieve some finals stress. It's a great chance to get outside and connect before the semester ends.

Colloquium and Happenings



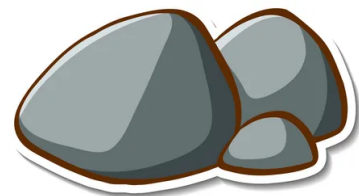
Earth Science Colloquium

Our colloquium series will be on a hiatus over the summer and will resume during the Fall 2026 semester.

Summer Opportunities

Summer Opportunity with Metallogeny

Metallogeny Inc. is currently seeking 1–3 students for summer positions. According to a recent post by Peter Frantz, the team is expanding and looking for motivated students interested in gaining hands-on experience.



Interested applicants can submit materials directly to metallogenygeos@gmail.com. For additional details, view the original posting on LinkedIn.

[View the LinkedIn Post](#)

Hire Colorado Alumni Career Fair

The Hire Colorado Alumni Career Fair, hosted by Metropolitan State University of Denver, will take place on **June 17th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM** in Denver. This event is a great opportunity to connect with employers across a variety of industries, expand your professional network, and explore job opportunities available to Colorado alumni.



Registration and Details



Dallas Geological Society Scholarship - Deadline is Tomorrow!

The Dallas Geological Society (DGS) Scholarships are one-year awards of up to \$5,000 given to current undergraduate and graduate students pursuing a degree in Geological Sciences. Selection is based on academic achievement, financial need and school and extracurricular activities. Preference will be given to undergraduates who have completed 12 semester hours of advanced or core geology courses beyond the introductory level. **Deadline: May 15th, 2026.**

See more opportunities available to you in our Google folder!

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Matanuska Glacier Paid Summer Experience

Due to anticipated higher demand this summer, Matanuska is hiring 10 additional Science Interpretive Guides. Students of all backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Guides receive a monthly stipend, housing, meals, and hands-on training.

Research Opportunities: Guide tourists by day, and pursue independent research on the glacier in free time. Past students have turned their work into thesis projects and national conference presentations. This summer, student guides are planning radar and dye tracer experiments. For Park approved projects, they may even support



student researchers with helicopters to access remote glacier areas.

How to Apply

More details about the position and application requirements are available on their [recruitment](#) page. For any specific questions, feel free to contact blueice@mtaonline.net, or visit the online application below.

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Rocky Mountain M Summit

Student Poster Contest:



Students are invited to participate in the Student Poster Contest at the Rocky Mountain Mining Summit, taking place **August 26–28th, 2026 in Rock Springs, Wyoming**. This is a great opportunity to showcase research, connect with industry professionals, and gain presentation experience in areas such as exploration geology, mineral processing, sustainability, and mining innovation. Abstract **submissions are due June 1st, 2026**, with acceptance notifications sent by June 10. Finalists will have the chance to present their work during the conference, with awards including Best Overall Poster and People's Choice.

For submission guidelines and more information, visit the summit website or email: rockymountainminingsummit@gmail.com.

[View in Opportunities Folder](#)

Faculty Spotlight

Geology Bites Podcast Feature

Professor **Steve Jacobsen** is featured in a new episode of the Geology Bites podcast, where he shares insights from his research and discusses key topics in the geosciences. This episode offers a great opportunity to hear directly from faculty and explore current ideas shaping the field. Listen now at geologybites.com



[Check Out Geology Bites!](#)

Save The Dates (Fall 2026)

The Geological Society of America (GSA) Annual Meeting in Denver this year!

- **October 11th - 14th, 2026**
- Talks, graduate school booth, workshops, networking, etc...
- Every three years, this annual meeting is in Denver, recommend try and attend. Next one is in 2029.
- See the website below this summer for information about volunteering and grants to go.



[Visit our Website](#)

CU Boulder Career Fairs

The Fall 2026 recruiting season moves fast. Students interested in internships or entry-level roles should mark these early:

- **September 28th:** Engineering, Computing, and Cybersecurity Fair. Highly relevant for students focusing on Geophysics, Hydrology, or GIS.
- **October 14th:** Technology, Innovation, and Mathematics Fair. A great target for students with strong quantitative or Python skills.
- **October 15th:** Civil, Environmental, and Architectural Engineering Fair. The primary hub for Geotech and Water Resources opportunities.



- **October 16th:** From Earth to Space: Bio, Science, and Exploration Career & Internship Fair. The Primary Hub for all sorts of earth science jobs and opportunities.

[To Register Click Here:](#)

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Check out past newsletters at [this link!](#)

Just So You Know...

The undergrad newsletter will be sent out each Thursday, so check back weekly for news, job and funding opportunities, and messages from your faculty. If you have something you would like to share in a future edition of the newsletter, please email geoloffice@colorado.edu.



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