



Reminder: Thursday, February 26th is a Reading Day — No Classes

- Many major deadlines have passed, but some internships, research positions, and scholarships still have upcoming or rolling deadlines. Use the day to check listings, reach out to references, and prepare materials — there's still time to secure an opportunity this semester.

New Interdisciplinary Climate Science Minor!

CU Boulder is launching a new Interdisciplinary Climate Science Minor! Bringing together courses from multiple departments to help students understand how Earth's climate system works and how it connects to society. The program provides a strong scientific foundation while exploring topics such as **oceanography, paleoclimate, climate policy, and science communication**. **Open to students from all majors**, the minor is a great way to build climate expertise alongside your primary degree.



[Learn More About the New Minor](#)

Important Upcoming Deadlines

NOAA (NGS) Hiring Geodesists

NOAA's National Geodetic Survey (NGS) is hiring 6 Geodesists for GNSS testing, processing, research, and development. **Deadline: Feb. 23rd, 2026**
Locations: Boulder, CO; Silver Spring, MD; Corbin/Woodford, VA; Chesapeake, VA; Seattle, WA



Role includes supporting the National Spatial Reference System (NSRS) through geodetic data processing and quality control, maintaining and testing NGS software, GNSS orbit determination and modeling, project planning, and presenting/publishing research.

[Read More About Job](#)

Education Abroad: Geological Cross Section and Continental Collision: The Western Alps (France)

Travel to France in May 2026 (May 20–29 plus travel on front and back end) for an international CU Boulder - University of Marie and Louis Pasteur field course exploring mountain-building and tectonic processes across the Western Alps. Conducted in English; **fulfills the field course requirement for Geology majors.**



Students will enroll in the UMLP course through CU Education Abroad and have credit transferred to CU (2 course credits)

Prerequisites: GEOL 2700 & GEOL 3120 or equivalents

Instructors: UMLP instructors plus Dr. Kevin Mahan (CU) and an instructor from Kansas State University

Deadline to apply: March 1st, 2026

Contact kevin.mahan@colorado.edu or CU Education Abroad for details

[Read More](#)

[Apply Here!](#)

Honors Thesis

Are you interested in doing an Honors thesis this spring? Now is the time to get working! **April 22nd** is the deadline to register your project with the Honors Council. Prior to that, you will have to find an advisor, develop your project, and meet with the Geology Honors Council representative (Professor Brian Hynek) to gain approval. Questions can be sent to hynek@lasp.colorado.edu.



[More Information Here](#)

Department Events



Reminder: Coffee Hour!

Come join us this **Monday, February 23rd**, and every Monday from **10:30-11:30 AM** for some delicious coffee, tea, and treats! All students and faculty are welcome!

Geology Club

Join the Geology club every Wednesday from 3:30–5:00 PM in Benson 1B75 for office hours, study time, and community building. On **Wednesday, February 25**, the club will host a **LinkedIn Workshop open to students of all majors** and experience levels — a great chance to strengthen your professional profile. The club is also planning a Reading Day hike to Mt. Sanitas, offering a fun way to connect outdoors with fellow students. Follow the Geology Club on Instagram for updates and trip details.



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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Office Hours Benson 1B75 3:30-5:30		Galantines Girls Night		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Movie Night						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Trivia Night			Point Mines Trip	
23	24	25	26	27	28	
		LinkedIn Workshop	Mt Sanitas Hike!			

[Instagram](#)



DGS Student Challenge Bowl

Students are invited to compete in the Denver Geophysical Society Student Challenge Bowl on **March 4th, 2026**, in Denver. Teams of two can win \$2,000 toward conference travel, plus networking, free food, and prizes for all participants.

Contact: scott.cook@tricongeophysics.com

[Register Here](#)

[Want More Information?](#)

Other Events

Women in STEM Day Celebration

All Are Welcome to join the campus community on **February 23 from 5:00–7:00 PM** in the **CASE** Building (Chancellors Hall & Auditorium, 4th floor) for a Women in STEM Day Celebration. This event focuses on building community, sparking conversation, and recognizing the contributions of women across STEM fields. Attendees of all genders are encouraged to participate, connect, and celebrate together. Light snacks will be provided, and **RSVP is required by February 20th**.



Arts & Sciences Fair

In Arts & Sciences, we see **"and"** as a verb—a chance to brew your wildest interests into a degree that is uniquely yours. With most A&S students taking 75+ credits outside their major, you have unbounded space to dive into whatever makes you *you*.

Whether you are in A&S or another college, come explore the many majors, minors, and certificates you can pair with your degree!

- **When:** **Thursday, Feb. 26 | 12:00 – 3:30 p.m.**
- **Where:** UMC Ballroom
- **The Perks:** Free **taco bar**, A&S swag, and a raffle for an **electric scooter!**

Chat with departments, find your perfect fit, and declare your new path on the spot.

Talks and Colloquium



Geological Sciences Colloquium Speaker

Join us this week for an exciting colloquium presentation by **Dr. Michael Calkins** in Benson Earth 380 on 2/25, 12:20-1:20 PM

[View Colloquium Schedule](#)

GEGM Boase Seminar — Monday

The Geotechnical Engineering and Geomechanics (GEGM) Boase Seminar Series continues this **Monday, February 23, from 11:00 AM–12:00 PM (MST)** with **Dr. Shaivan Shivaprakash** (Postdoctoral Researcher, Georgia Institute of Technology).

His talk, “Influence of Micro-scale Mechanisms on Macro-scale Properties of Bio-cemented Soils,” explores how microbial processes shape soil stiffness and cementation, advancing sustainable ground improvement methods. The seminar highlights new experimental work connecting micro-scale bio-geochemical interactions to large-scale geotechnical performance.

Attend in person: **ECCE 1B47**



[Zoom Link](#)

Funding & Other Opportunities

New Location for Opportunity Postings!

Internships, Summer programs, scholarships, and job postings have a new home! Check out our Opportunities Folder for news and postings on exciting experiences available to you.



[View Opportunities Folder](#)

Studying Abroad as a STEM Major!



Don't let a lab schedule or a rigorous degree plan hold you back from seeing the world. STEM students are increasingly taking their studies global, and for good reasons.

March 1st is the final Summer and Fall 2026 Deadline!

There's still time for students to apply for Summer & Fall 2026 programs – the deadline for most of our programs is March 1st. Check out why **a fall semester abroad is one of our favorite times to go**. Deadlines have passed for some programs, so our **Program Search** now includes a filter to find programs still accepting applications for summer & fall. Reserve appointments with your academic advisor and faculty mentors to see how you can study abroad!

[Let's Go Abroad!](#)

NASA JPL Summer Internship

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory Summer Internship Program offers undergraduate and graduate students a chance to work full-time for 10 weeks alongside NASA scientists and engineers on real research and mission projects. Interns receive a monetary award, professional mentoring, and may qualify for travel and housing support.

Deadline: March 13th, 2026 (5 PM PDT)



[Learn More & Apply!](#)



NASA Internships & Opportunities

NASA offers paid internships for undergraduate and graduate students across STEM and many non-STEM fields. Interns work alongside scientists and engineers on real projects, build technical and professional skills, and gain experience supporting NASA's missions. Most internships include a stipend, and opportunities are available during multiple sessions each year. **Summer 2026 application deadline: February 27th!**

[Learn More & Apply](#)

MSU Geodesy Summer Internship

Paid summer internships at Michigan State University are available for undergraduate students interested in geophysics, physics, math, or programming. No prior geodesy experience is required. Participants will attend a geodesy bootcamp, complete a mentored research project, present at a research symposium, and receive a stipend plus travel support to East Lansing, MI. **Apply by Sunday, March 1st.** Visit the program website for details and application instructions.



[Learn More](#)

Research in the Rocky Mountains

The Colorado Mountain Club Foundation is accepting applications for 2026 fellowships supporting student research in the Rocky Mountain region. Grants range from approximately \$500–\$2,000 and are open primarily to graduate students, though undergraduates are also eligible. Supported disciplines include geology, biology, chemistry, environmental studies, geography, forestry, history, law, and related fields. **Applications are due April 15th** and **require a faculty sponsor letter**. Send your application to: Paula.Cushing@dmns.org
Learn more by clicking the link below:



[Learn More](#)

[Learn More & Apply](#)

Student Assistant – Scientific Computing

The Raman Lab is hiring an undergraduate to improve instrument automation, software workflows, and computational efficiency to increase utilization of advanced research equipment.

Pay: \$17/hour | ~10 hrs/week (flexible)

Term: **Spring semester** (possible renewal)

Location: Benson Earth Sciences (on campus)

Seeking: STEM major with basic scripting/programming (Python, MATLAB, macros) or willingness to learn; strong troubleshooting and documentation skills.



Apply NOW: Send a brief statement of interest and resume to Eric Ellison & Jess Hankins

ramanlab@colorado.edu

NSF 2026 Summer Research Experience Spreadsheet

Still Seeking Summer Research?

While many deadlines have passed, several strong REU programs are still accepting applications. Check the updated opportunities spreadsheet to find programs that match your interests.



Featured: UMBC Big Data REU (Virtual) — An NSF-funded, 8-week online program focused on high-performance computing, machine learning, and atmospheric science. Includes a stipend, professional development, and research experience.

Deadline: Sunday March 1st, 2026

[Learn more about NSF!](#)

[Directly Apply Here](#)



Job Posting For Soon To Be Grads

Parsons is hiring an Associate Geologist / Environmental Scientist in the Denver area to support environmental site investigation and remediation projects. This early-career role offers hands-on fieldwork (up to 70% travel) with growth into more office-based responsibilities over time. Candidates should have a **Bachelor's degree in Geology** or a related field, be willing to travel, and work in varied field conditions. The position offers a salary range of \$21.88–\$38.27/hour plus competitive benefits. The posting is open now and **early applications are encouraged!** If you have any questions, reach out to: lucianna.baright@parsons.com

[Apply Here!](#)

[2026 Opportunities Folder](#)

Scholarship Deadline – March 15, 2026

The Department of Geological Sciences and CU scholarships **deadline is March 15th, 2026**. These awards are for the 2026–2027 academic year, and this is the only time each year departmental scholarships are awarded through the CU Scholarship system. Students should complete the general CU Scholarship application as soon as possible. Some “apply-to” opportunities require additional materials that must also be submitted by 3/15.



Submitting the general application also automatically considers you for other CU scholarships you may qualify for, so mark your calendars and stay on track!

[General Scholarship Details](#)

Short-term Field Opportunity 2026



Aurora Geosciences is accepting general applications for short-term geophysical field contracts for **Summer 2026**. These roles are open to students and alumni, including those with a geology focus, and are a great way to gain hands-on, applied geophysics experience outside the classroom. Past short contracts have led to additional geology work.

[Read more](#)

Miss a Newsletter?

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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