Baggage/Packing

Storage space in the caravan is limited, so it is necessary to restrict each student to:

- One moderate size suitcase
- A duffle bag or equivalent
- A day pack or backpack

Any additional baggage or items should be mailed directly to the Field Station:

IUGFS
Attention: Your Name
633 S. Boulder Road
Cardwell, MT 59721

Tips for Packing Your Gear

You should have ONLY (2) bags plus a day pack, and they should be packed as follows:

- One bag containing ONLY what you will need for the first week of the trip. You will begin the course in Rapid City, and from there will be doing field studies in areas of South Dakota, Wyoming, and Montana, before actually arriving at the Field Station. This bag will be loaded into the vehicles wherever you join the caravan and will stay with the caravan throughout the first week. You will need field equipment during this time (rock hammer, water bottles, boots, etc.) You will also have your day pack with you.

- One bag (duffle bag) should contain the remainder of what you wish to have at the Field Station for the duration of the course. This bag will be loaded into a vehicle that will go directly to the Field Station and you WILL NOT have access to it during the first week of travel. Space is extremely limited, so any excess luggage you have should be mailed ahead of your arrival directly to the Field Station.

Field Station General Information

- Cellphone reception is limited at camp, but available away from camp.
- The closest stores to the Field Station are about 15 miles away in the towns of Whitehall and Harrison.
- Except on weekends, the students spend their evenings at the Field Station.
- On weekends, no student is allowed to leave the Field Station except for activities approved by the Director.
- All of the evening work, study and recreation are done in the main lodge or in the classroom/lecture building.
- Ample showers are available in two bathhouses that are separate from the dormitories.
- ATM machines are available at various locations during the caravan trips, and on Saturday evening trips to town.
- Prepaid phone cards are necessary to make outgoing calls on the student phone located in the lodge.
Firearms and Fireworks

- Students are not permitted to have firearms or fireworks in their possession at the Field Station or in University vehicles.

Meals and Special Diets

- Accommodations can only be made for vegetarians and persons with allergies or medical conditions.
- Our vegetarian menu avoids any foods with meat or meat by-products. However, it does include dairy products. If you require a stricter diet you will have to make alternative plans for your meals, at your own expense.
- You MUST indicate on the Information Form any special dietary needs or vegetarian preference. You will NOT be allowed to change your menu preference once the course has begun.

Visitor Policy

- Visitors are welcome at the Field Station, but must have written approval at least two weeks prior to the course start date.
- Send an email to: iugfs@indiana.edu or phone 812-855-1475 for instructions regarding visitors and to obtain the necessary form for approval.