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## **Geology Field Camp Financial Aid Checklist**

<b>Step 1:</b> Contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships to discuss the types of aid that would potentially be available to you for the spring/summer semester while you are completing field camp. Financial Aid Counselors can talk to you about what aid you may have remaining and what your options would be to help you pay. Do this as early in the academic year (fall) as possible to best understand your options.
<ul><li>Step 2: Enroll in your field camp course at the university you choose to do it at.</li><li>This other university is considered your "Host" institution</li></ul>
<b>Step 3:</b> In February, complete the online application for spring/summer financial aid by visiting <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/financialaid/summer">www.gvsu.edu/financialaid/summer</a>
<b>Step 4:</b> Once you have completed Steps 1 & 2, contact Francesca Golden (goldenf@gvsu.edu) in the GVSU Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships. She will help you navigate Step 4.
<b>Step 5:</b> Work with the Financial Aid Office at the host institution to have your one-time consortium agreement completed.
<b>Step 6:</b> Once this agreement is complete, submit to the GVSU Office of Financial & Scholarships.
<ul> <li>Step 7: GVSU will award you financial aid based on your enrollment at the host institution.</li> <li>Your accepted financial aid funds will come to you in the form of a financial aid refund, which can then be used to pay your charges at the host institution.</li> <li>Since GVSU is awarding you financial aid, we must award it based on the GVSU academic calendar. That means that you would not receive your financial aid refund until the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of spring semester classes (week of May 15<sup>th</sup>). You are responsible for ensuring that your balance at the host institution is paid in full using your financial aid funds.</li> </ul>

Note: You must be enrolled in at least 6 credits to qualify for federal loans.