

Release and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify
 (for International Single-Day Field Trips, Extended Field Trips,
 Field Courses, and Study Abroad Courses)

The California Education Code Section 72640 requires, in part, the following:

"All persons making the field trips or excursions shall be deemed to have waived all claims against the District or the State of California for injury, accident, illness, or death occurring during or by reason of the field trip or excursion. All adults taking out-of-state field trips or excursions and all parents or guardians of students taking out-of-state field trips or excursions shall sign a statement waiving such claims."

Completion of this form is required of participants in all overnight field trips; participants in all international or out-of-State single day field trips; participants in all Field courses; and participants in all Study Abroad courses. If the participant is under 18 years of age, this form must be completed by the participant's legal guardian or parent.

The Palomar Community College District has granted the individual named below (hereinafter referred to as "Participant") permission to participate in the designated travel-study tour.

RELEASE

In consideration of the permission granted to the Participant by the Palomar Community College District, I, the undersigned, hereby release and discharge the Palomar Community College District (including the Governing Board members, officers, employees, and agents, herein collectively referred to as the "District") from all liability, as defined herein, arising out of, or in connection with my participation in the above described travel-study field trip or assignees. For the purpose of this agreement, liability means all claims, demands, losses, causes of action, suits or judgments of any and every kind that I, my heirs, executors, administrators or assignees may have against the District, or that any other person or entity may have against the District, because of any death, personal injury or illness, or because of any loss or damage to property that occurs during the above described travel-study field trip or excursion, and that results from any cause other than negligence of the District.

INDEMNIFICATION

I further agree to hold harmless, defend and indemnify the District from any and all liability, as defined above, resulting from, or in any manner arising out of any negligence on my part during the above described travel-study field trip or excursion, but not to the extent that such liability is due to the negligence of the District.

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

I further agree to accept all the rules and requirements of the travel-study field trip or excursion, observe the program schedules, and to follow the instructions given by supervisory personnel and grant the right to terminate my participation in the program if it is determined that my conduct is detrimental to the best interests of the group, in which event return home shall be at my personal expense. Any violation of these rules and regulations may be cause for my suspension or expulsion from the College, subject to the application of appropriate District due process procedures upon return.

RESPONSIBILITY

I fully recognize and agree that the District cannot and will not be held responsible for my needs or well-being when not under the direct supervision of College supervisory personnel during instructional activity.

MEDICAL CONSENT

In the event of any medical emergency I do do not give permission to District supervisory personnel on the trip to authorize any x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical, dental or surgical diagnosis or treatment, and hospital care that may be necessary for my safety and protection.

(Initial one of the following statements)

- I am 18 years of age or older and I will be the Participant.
- I am the parent or legal guardian of the Participant who is under 18 years of age to whom the above statements apply and for whose benefit I am executing the agreement.

I have read the contents of this Release and Agreement to Hold Harmless and Indemnify form and understand its terms. I execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Give location of travel-study tour: Death Valley California United States
 City State Country

Example: SPAN 101 / 70923		
GEOL 195F	/	33498
Course Name (4 letters)	Course # (3 digit) / Class # (5 digit)	
03/26 - 03/29 2018		
Dates of Tour		

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Dates of Tour		

Please Print Last Name First Name Student ID No. (9 digit) Birth Date

Please Print Name of Participant's Parent or Legal Guardian

Signature of Participant or Participant's Parent or Legal Guardian Date

GEOL 195F (#33498) Regional Field Studies Spring 2018
Death Valley National Park
March 26-29, 2018

Student Information Sheet

Name _____ Palomar ID _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Date of Birth _____

Emergency Contact Information: _____

Medical conditions that the instructor needs to know about:

____ (initial) I give approval for the instructor to release my e-mail contact information to students enrolled in the course for the purposes of arranging carpools and camping.

Driver/Rider Information:

As a driver, I have a driver's license and proof of insurance.

Type of vehicle: _____

regular passenger car High clearance 4-wheel drive

I will be driving my own vehicle and will be looking for passengers.

Number of passengers (with gear) I can take: _____

I will be driving my own vehicle and already have passengers.

Name of passenger(s) (must be an enrolled student):

I already have a ride with another student.

I need a ride and will be looking for someone to ride with.

Please rate your camping experience below:

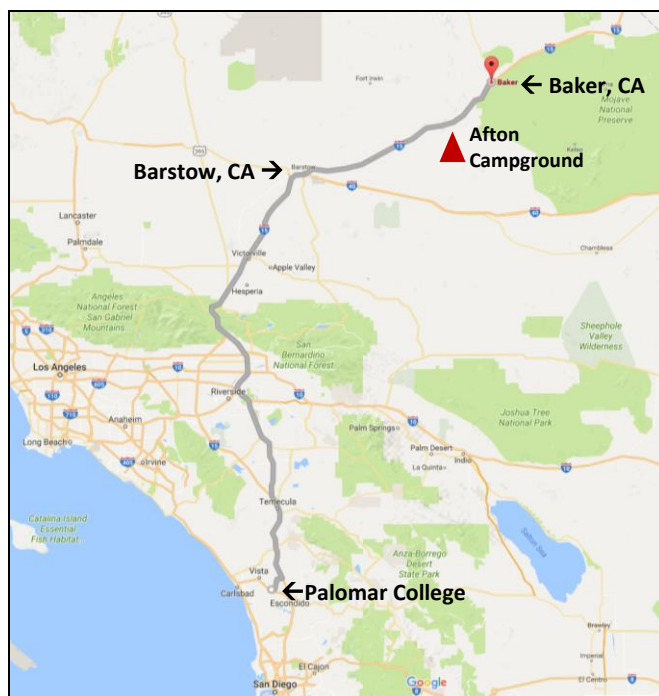
Never camped 1 2 3 4 5 Experienced camper

GEOL195F #33498 Field Studies in Geology—Death Valley Region
March 26-29, 2018
Notes, Logistics, & Suggestions

1. **Who may participate:** Due to issues of liability, only enrolled students may attend/participate in the field course.
2. **Liability Waiver:** All students must sign a waiver of liability and return it no later than March 9.
3. **Transportation:** Students need to arrange their own transportation. Drive your own vehicle or ride with someone else. Carpooling is essential to minimize the number of vehicles in attendance.
☞ **All drivers must furnish evidence of in-force automobile insurance.**
4. **Vehicles:** Most any car will be OK if driven carefully. However, high clearance vehicle such as a pick-up or SUV are strongly recommend. DO NOT BRING low-slung cars. Although most of the roads are paved, we will travel on graded dirt, gravel, and some sand surfaces. We will carpool with our most capable vehicles on the roughest sections of these roads.
 - Be sure your vehicle is in excellent mechanical shape with at least one full-size spare tire.
 - It is the student's responsibility to arrange for repairs if they experience car problems. If you have problems with your vehicle, we will make sure you have contact with help, but we will not hold up the trip more than a short time. Car repair facilities are located in Baker, CA.
5. **Mileage:** Total round-trip mileage from Palomar College will be about 1000 miles.
6. **Shelter:** You should bring everything you need to camp. We will be camping at Furnace Creek Campground. A group site has been reserved.
☞ **For those who have not camped before, a list of basic equipment and supplies is available on request.**
7. **Food, Water, and Supplies:** You should bring an ample supply of food and water to start the trip. Gas, food, and supplies are available in Baker, Shoshone, and Furnace Creek.
8. **Climate:** Be prepared for anything. Expect highs between 60^oF – 80^oF and lows near 40^oF. There is little chance of rain, but wind is likely. Sunshine will be plentiful, so bring a hat and sunscreen.
9. **Hiking:** We will take several short and moderate hikes. The terrain will be rocky or sandy, so be prepared with appropriate athletic shoes or boots. Bring a small backpack to carry a few personal items such as water and snacks. There will be an optional night hike, so bring a headlamp.
10. **Driving:** When driving, obey all traffic regulations, and be courteous and patient. When we stop, park off the pavement. **Please be very careful while driving.** Leave plenty of room between you and the vehicle in front of you; they may suddenly stop for scenic view or even a tarantula crossing the road. Be especially careful when driving off pavement. Give the vehicle in front of you plenty of room to maneuver around rocks or cross sandy sections of road. **Never pass the instructor (lead vehicle) unless specifically told to do so.**

11. **Maps:** Navigation devices are wonderful in the city, but you should bring a map of the Southern California region. AAA and National Geographic have maps of Death Valley.
12. **DO NOT BRING:** Alcohol, drugs, firearms, or anything that may be construed as a weapon. Violations of the law will be reported immediately to law enforcement agencies. Palomar College prohibits the drinking of alcohol by any person (of age or not) at any time on school trips.
13. **Follow all Park Service guidelines:** Do not drive off established roads. Do not collect anything. Do not harm or remove any plants, animals, or rocks in the Park. You will be fined \$500 by the Park Service and receive an “F” in the course.
14. **Observe quiet hours in camp and during trip stops:** No radios, stereos, or other loud non-natural disturbances will be tolerated.
15. **Student Conduct:** Any student who behaves in an inappropriate manner to disrupt learning or cause potential harm to themselves or anyone in the group will be asked to leave the trip immediately, referred to the Director of Student Affairs, and receive an “F” in the course.
16. **Where to meet:** We will meet at the Ultra Gas & Mart, 71808 Baker Blvd, Baker, CA on Hwy 127 (I-15 exit #246) at **8:00 a.m. on Monday March 26, 2018**. The distance from Palomar College is approximately 210 miles; allow 4 hours travel time.
 - After roll-call and radio check, ***we will leave the starting location at 8:10 sharp!***

Note: Because we are meeting at 8:00 a.m. on a Monday morning, it is highly recommended that you travel to the area the night before. There are hotels, a KOA Campground and Calico Ghost Town Campground in the Barstow area. Another camping option includes Afton Canyon campground; see this site for information: <https://www.yelp.com/biz/afton-canyon-campground-newberry-baker>



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