

Colorado River Trips & Global Educational Adventures

Teacher Recertification Credit

2011– Taught by Melanie Phelps & Joyce Webb

Experience the rivers of the West and/or join us for international travel

Graduate credit offered through Colorado School of Mines

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1. **Ghost Towns by Cross Country Skis**; February 19-20, 2011 - 1 credit hour - \$140 with credit - \$90 without credit. Cross country ski back in time to the days of the Colorado gold and silver rush. Relive the extravagance and demise of Baby Doe and Horace Tabor, tour the Leadville Mining Museum and the Healy House. Listen to the snow blowing softly amid the ruins of Oro City and California Gulch. Cross country skiing or snowshoeing experience not required.
2. **Ireland I– Haunted by History & Rich in Legends**; March 19-27, 2011 - 4 credit hours - \$2470 - *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly*, includes tuition, lodging, ground transportation, entry fees and tours. \$1,500 without tuition or airfare. Tour the southwestern part of the emerald isle - from castles to peat bogs. Experience the unpretentious simplicity and unhurried pace of her people, and their traditions of hospitality. Explore the famous Aran Island and the Burrens to the Gaelic speaking Dingle Peninsula. Kiss the Blarney Stone and climb the Rock of Cashel. Look for your Irish roots while listening to the wonderful Irish music.
3. **Ireland II - Haunted by History - Dawning of a New Day**; March 26 - April 3, 2011 - 4 credit hours - \$2470- *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly*, includes tuition, lodging, ground transportation, entry fees and tours. \$1,500 without tuition or airfare. Step into the world of modern Ireland as you tour Dublin, Belfast, and drive along the Antrim coast. Discover the intriguing past as you gaze upon the 9th Century Book of Kells, explore the ancient passage tomb of Newgrange, and wander through the 6th century monastery of Glendolough. Trim Castle, the largest Norman Castle in Europe awaits your discovery. Explore the volcanic columns of the Giant's Causeway. The past and present become blended into another Irish adventure.
4. **Ireland I & Ireland II Combined**; March 19 – April 2, 2011 – 8 credit hours - 15 days in mist kissed Ireland. - \$2,500 without tuition or airfare. *Airfare is currently \$800 - \$900 from Denver to Shannon and from Dublin to Denver.* Experience both coasts of this beautiful country – from the very rural to the exciting bustle of Dublin & Belfast. Bask in the relaxed pace of the West Coast before journeying to Europe’s busiest shopping street, the main thoroughfare in Dublin. Then head north where we will tour Belfast and hear their take on the nation’s troubled past. For all this and more, join us for this amazing adventure on the Emerald Isle.
5. **Hawaii – Volcanoes Born of Fire - Coral Reefs - Life Extravagancia**; March 19-27, 2011 – 4 credit hours - \$3370 with credit - \$3200 without credit. *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly.* \$2000 without tuition or airfare. Explore Hawaii's Big Island - the newest land on earth. Tiptoe across Kilauea's active volcano caldera. Step gently through a'a' and pahoehoe lava flows. Gaze upon molten lava flowing to the sea (if Pelle, Goddess of Fire) is with us. Explore the fascinating telescopes at 13,000 feet on the summit of Mauna Leā. Then submerge into the shimmering brilliance of the coral reef life extravagancia. Help conduct biodiversity and environmental impact research. Snorkel or dive experience not required.
6. **Volcanoes and Ruins of New Mexico**; April 30 - May 1, 2011 - 1 hour credit- \$140 with credit - \$90 without credit. Experience the volcanoes of New Mexico and the Bandelier ruins of the ancient Pueblo Indians who tunneled their homes into volcanic tuff cliffs. See the youngest volcanic fields in the continental U.S., with cinder cones, a massive caldera, radial dikes, and more. Discover the Rio Grande Rift, which causes the volcanoes, as North America is being stretched apart. Also learn the history of southern Colorado coal mines and labor wars and tour the site of the Ludlow Massacre.

7. **Picketwire Dinosaur Tracks by Mountain Bike**; May 7-8, 2011 - 1 credit hour- \$140 with credit - \$90 without credit. Mountain bike 13 miles round trip to see a fossilized Jurassic beach containing over 1300 dinosaur tracks, some big enough to sit in. This important site showed scientists that dinosaurs were herding animals. Tour Bent's Old Fort and see stage coach ruts on the Old Stagecoach Trail. Learn Colorado history from the Jurassic to the Dust Bowl.
8. **Italy Revealed: Exploring the Ancient Land of the Romans**; June 8 – 20, 2011 - 5 credit hours. \$4210 *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly* - includes tuition, lodging, ground transportation, and tours. \$2,500 without tuition or airfare. Explore Roman temples to medieval churches: the ruins of Pompeii to Vatican City's treasure trove. Walk through the Roman Forum and sleep in the walled city of Orvieto. Experience Florence, the art capital of the world and hike along the Le Cinque Terra, a sun drenched Italian Riviera. Marvel at the Leaning Tower of Pisa and absorb Venice, the most romantic city in the world.
9. **Belize - Coral Reef Splendor and Maya Ruins in the Jungle**; June 10 - 19, 2011 - 5 credit hours - \$2510. includes airfare, tuition, lodging, ground transportation, and flight to Tikal, Guatemala. \$1800. without tuition or airfare. Submerge yourself in the shimmering, colorful world of the Belize coral reefs. Explore coral fish as they change sexes, groom each other, and develop complex relationships of symbiosis. Remember your dream of being an archeologist? Come wander with us into the land of the ancient Mayans, with their extravagant architecture, rituals, and games. Experience Belize, brimming with life and mysteries.
10. **Poppies to Paris – From Flanders' Field to Normandy – A visit to the Sites of World War I & II**; June 21- July 1, 2011 – 4 credit hours \$3870- *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly* - Includes tuition, lodging, ground transportation, and tours. \$2,400 without tuition or airfare. Explore trenches and bunkers used during German occupation of Belgium's North Coast. Tour the battlefields in Southern Belgium's Flanders Field. Travel to Normandy for an in depth view of WW II's beaches, cemeteries and other war sites. Continue this journey to Paris for a visit to one of the world's best WW I and WW II museums. Learn how German occupation affected Belgium, Paris, and the rest of France.
11. **Museums of Paris**; July 1-9, 2011 - 4 credit hours - \$3370 - *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly* - Includes tuition, lodging, museum passes, and ground transportation- \$1,900 without tuition or airfare. Stand before Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa or Venus de Milo at the Louvre. Walk through the gardens of the master sculptor, Rodin and visit the Musee d'Orsay, where you will see rooms of Monet's and Van Gogh's. Climb to the top of Notre Dame and the Arc de Triomphe. Cruise the Seine, zip up the Eiffel Tower and saunter down the Avenue des Champs Elysees. Walk through Pere Lachaise Cemetery where Chopin, Jim Morrison and friends are spending eternity. Then we are off to Versailles, the Pompidou, Napoleon's tomb, Sacre-Coeur, the Picasso Museum and much more. Join us and help capture the romance and joie de vivre the Paris exudes.
12. **Scotland – The Highlands of Glades and Lochs**; July 9 - 18, 2011 - 4 credit hours - \$3370 – *Includes airfare from Denver, but airfare may vary slightly* - Includes tuition, ground transportation, lodging and all tours. \$2,000 without tuition or airfare. Journey along mossy mountains, salty isles, and bottomless lochs. Taste haggis, hear the bagpipes and feel the winds of history blowing through the glens. We will go time tripping through stone castles and savor the pristine atmosphere of the Isle of Skye. Wander with us along the back lanes of Edinburgh and scan Loch Ness for legendary monsters.
13. **Gates of Lodore River Trip**; June 25-July 5, 2011 - 5 credit hours - \$2,025. with credit - \$1,815. without credit. Explore the worlds of the west along the beautiful Green River. Delve into the geology of the Uintah Mountains, explore petroglyphs and dinosaurs of Vernal, then canoe past river otters, moose, and birds of Brown's Park Wildlife Reserve. White water raft for 5 days through one of the most spectacular canyons of the west - the Gates of Lodore.

14. **Grand Canyon River Trip – The Ultimate River Adventure**; July 7-13, 2011- 3.5 credit hours - \$2,765. with credit - \$2,600. without credit. View the stunning geology of 2.2 billion years of earth history as you white water raft through some of the world's most famous rapids. Descend into the world of strata sculpted by the mighty Colorado River. Includes 6.5 days of white water in a motorized raft, helicopter ride out of the canyon, flight on a twin engine plane, tips, sleeping pack, motel the night before the trip and food. This is the ultimate river trip.
15. **The Pearl of Africa – Uganda** ; July 19- August 3, 2011 - 6 credit hours. \$3,750. *Does not includes airfare.* \$3500 without credit. Includes ground transportation, lodging, park passes, guides, game drives, rafting, all tips, visa, chimpanzee and gorilla permits Experience 5 national parks of the Great Rift Valley, its lakes, game plains, and mountain forests while tracking mountain gorillas, rhinos, and chimpanzees . View cape buffalo, elephants, lions, zebras, more birds than you can count and many other African animals in their natural habitat. Take a boat ride on the Nile River while viewing hundred's of hippos and crocodiles. Visit a pygmy village near the Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. Come with us to experience the real Africa.
16. **Australia - Reefs and Rainforests Down Under**; July 17 - August 5, 2011. 6 semester hours credit. \$5140. With credit. \$4890. Without credit. Includes airfare from Denver. (Price may vary slightly based upon airfare.) \$2600. without credit or airfare. Tiptoe quietly through the ancient rainforest following our aborigine guide in search of the elusive cassowary. Snorkle or dive the crystal seas of the Great Barrier Reef. Sojourn to the Outback to glimpse great lava tubes and search for the Giant Red Kangaroo. Camp on a secluded coral and mangrove island, with access to the Great Barrier Reef just a few feet away. Then travel to Uluru and explore the world famous Ayers Rock. Hike through the Olga Mountains and follow our aborigine guide to learn their secrets of survival in the Outback.

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