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PegCamp is an intensive one-week field course with an emphasis on understanding the origin of granitic pegmatites. Students will gain valuable experience in the identification of pegmatite minerals, interpretation of textural features and structures within pegmatites as well as develop the skills necessary to conduct effective research on pegmatites and their related granites.



PegCamp-Colorado will be based in the scenic Rocky Mountains, approximately 40 miles west of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Participants will stay in comfortable cabins equipped with hot showers. Rooms will be shared, double-occupancy. On-site laundry facilities are available.



Program: Lectures will be presented daily and will introduce participants to pertinent information and concepts regarding pegmatite genesis. Participants will be required to complete lab and field exercises that complement the classroom material. A cumulative final exam will be given on the last day of camp to help evaluate the student's understanding of the course material.



Transportation: Participants will be responsible for their transportation to and from Colorado Springs. Transportation by passenger van will be provided from the Colorado Springs airport to the base camp and for all field excursions.

Prerequisites: Participants must be in good physical condition and able to function effectively in high altitude environments. Completed courses in mineralogy and petrology are strongly recommended, but not required.



Cost: The cost of PegCamp is \$1000.00 for students (\$1200.00 for non-students), which includes meals, accommodations and transportation while in Colorado. Deadline for application is **April 5, 2009** with a non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 to reserve a space. The balance will be due by **May 4, 2009**. Please make your check or money order (do not send cash) payable to **The Smithsonian Institution**.

For more information visit www.pegmatology.com or contact:

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