

- 2-week faculty-led GEO program plus 7 pre-departure online sessions. Students will earn 6 credits.
- Interdisciplinary course, with upper-division UO credits applicable toward majors and minors in Romance Languages, German and Scandinavian Studies, History, International (Global) Studies, Environmental Studies, and Comparative Literature. Elective credits applicable also in a variety of disciplines including Geography and Earth Sciences.
- The course is taught in English. Students doing their readings and projects in Italian, French or Spanish will get their 300 level credits in the respective languages.
- Credits can also fulfill specific language goals for Global students.
- Core Education - Arts & Letters and Global Perspectives requirement(s) fulfilled.

***Application Deadline: Feb. 15

*** Scholarships available



FIELD SEMINAR

September 1-September 14, 2024



The interdisciplinary dimension is enhanced by online seminars delivered by first rate international scholars, such as Evelyn Kustatscher (Geology and Paleontology; Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität in München) and Gunda Barth-Scalmani (Social and cultural history of WWI from a gender perspective; Innsbruck University).

Students can choose to focus on one of the following 2 areas of study: 1) Landscape, History, Literature and Folklore; 2) Earth Sciences, Ecology and Photography.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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EXPLORING THE DOLOMITES



This unique travel/study-field seminar features a wide-ranging exploration of the Dolomites, recently designated as World Heritage Site by the UNESCO for the distinctive variety of their morphology, geology and landscape.





Requirements

- Mandatory pre-departure online meetings to introduce the Field seminar in July and August.
- Conscious and respectful participation to the various activities.
- Digital storytelling to be published in the course blog.
- Daily reflective Journal.
- Final Project: Students may choose one of the following: 1) a critical extension of the journal; 2) a curated photo essay; 3) a Story Map Digital Project; 4) a 12 pages paper focusing on their area of interest to be discussed with the instructor.

The final project are due one week after the end of the field seminar on September 20.

HIGHLIGHTS

These spectacular and monumental mountains retain traces of extraordinary interest for disciplines such as Geology, Paleogeography, Geomorphology and Paleontology. As the theater of some of the most extreme battles of WWI, they preserve a vivid and painful memory of the Great War that changed forever world history and altered the borders of many countries including Italy and Austria.



GEOLOGICAL AND BOTANICAL TRAILS:

The botanical path Dos Capèl - Gardonè presents an extraordinary blossom of rhododendron, wood anemones, stone-breaks, gentians, green alders and juniper bushes. Latemar's rocks and fossils in the Geological Trail from Passo Feudo tell the tale of a tropical sea and large volcanoes in the area that is now the Dolomites.



Botanical Trail, Latemar



Geological Trail, Latemar

ARCHEOLOGICAL AND PALEONTOLOGICAL TRAILS AND MUSEUMS:

Hiking the Bletterbach gorge means undertaking a journey through millions of years and go hunting for animal and plant fossils that disappeared forever. The South Tyrol Museum of Archaeology in Bolzano includes Ötzi the Iceman: a mummy from the Copper Age, 5300 years old.



Fossils hunting in the Bletterbach gorge



Ötzi the Iceman, Museum of Archaeology in Bolzano

TRENCHES, TUNNELS AND OPEN AIR MUSEUMS OF WW1:

The Lagazuoi tunnels constitute a complex, a total of 11 tunnels excavated during World War I in an area that was on the Austrian-Italian border. We will also visit the Open air Museum of the 5 Torri - Passo Falzarego.



Tunnels of the Lagazuoi



Trenches Open Air Museum WW1, Cinque Torri