IMPORTANT DATES

- **January 28:** CofC Day! More information can be found [here](#).
- **February 1:** Last day to submit an Undergraduate Application to Graduate in Spring 2021
- **February 10:** Last day to withdraw with a grade of "W" from Express-1 classes
- **February 12:** Last day to submit applications for student research with faculty (see below for more information)
- **February 16:** Last day for students to submit incomplete undergraduate coursework to faculty for any Fall 2020 session
- **February 24:** Last day of Express I classes

2020-2021 RESOURCES & INFO

Our Resources & Info file for the 2020-2021 Academic Year has been updated for Spring 2021. This document provides information on campus resources such as Zoom spaces, tutoring sessions, useful apps, and more! Access the document [here](#). Have additional questions about Spring 2021? Please reach out to the instructor with course-related questions or Kristen White (whitekl@cofc.edu) for general department questions.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES WITH FACULTY

- **Applications for student research with faculty are due FEBRUARY 12.**
  - These opportunities are for students wanting to apply for funding to do summer projects. Students and faculty coordinate together on the applications.
  - Successful student applicants would receive $4,000 for their time and effort during the summer. Faculty may also be provided summer compensation and funds for materials and travel to field sites needed to perform the project.
  - (1a) **SSM application for faculty advisor** (1b) **SSM application for student researcher** (2) **SURF application info**

- **Title: Biogeochemistry of Stormwater Ponds**
  - Project advisors: Professors Heather Fullerton of Biology and Vijay Vulava of Geology
  - Student background: Any geology major that has completed/completing Chemistry requirements and Biology sequence. All student researchers will be trained. Student will sign up for independent study in Spring semester and leading to a potentially funded research project during summer.
  - Contact Professor Vulava (VulavaV@cofc.edu) for more information.

- **Research position available with funding to study microplastic in stormwater starting Spring or Summer 2021.**
  - Skills development includes environmental sampling, processing, and microscopy methods as well as data analysis and reporting.
  - Contact Dr. Barbara Beckingham (beckinghamb@cofc.edu) for more information.

- **SPECIAL NOTE:** our alumni-funded Geology Endowment is now available! One Geology major may be eligible to receive the Geology Alumni Endowed Award (GAEA) to support their summer project: at least $4,600 and additional funds to support the work! Apply through SSM and SURF as described above.

CHECK IT OUT

- The Mace Brown Museum of Natural History is re-open by appointment! Appointments are available during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. If you would like to
schedule a visit, please email museum@cofc.edu at minimum 3 days in advance. The Museum is scheduled to re-open to all visitors on February 1.

- The SC Association of Environmental Professionals is continuing their monthly seminars on Zoom. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 27 at 12 pm. Email Dr. Callahan (callahant@cofc.edu) for the Zoom link.
- The PASSHE (Pennsylvania State State System of Higher Ed) is hosting a seminar series that will go on throughout the Spring 2021 semester with seminars every month. The seminar series covers various topics in earth and environmental sciences. The first of six seminars will begin on January 28 at 12 pm on Zoom. The link to the flyer on our job board can be found here.
- Georgia's "One Hundred Miles" coastal conservation organization is hosting a multi week series of virtual workshops featuring a slate of inspiring speakers and leaders. Environmental conservation is the focus of these workshops. The first of five workshops will be held on February 2nd at 7pm, and the link can be found here. These workshops will recur every Tuesday from February 2 - March 2 at 7pm.

**SCHOLARSHIP, INTERNSHIP, GRADUATE SCHOOL, AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES**
Check out our new and improved Job & Opportunity Board (formerly just Job Board)! Here you'll find info on workshops, internships, grants and scholarships, Masters and PhD opportunities, Fellowships, entry-level and mid-upper-level positions, webinars, and career development opportunities. This is updated often, so be sure to save the link!

**GEOLOGY OFFICE HOURS**
Staff are available for in-person assistance during the following hours:

**Kristen White, Office Manager**
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

**Duncan Williamson, Graduate Assistant**
- Monday from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Thursday from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Dr. Tim Callahan, Department Chair, and Ms. Kristen White continue to be available virtually in addition to the in-person assistance hours. To request an appointment with Dr. Callahan, please email callahant@cofc.edu and whitekl@cofc.edu.