



Outdoor Recreation at Georgia Tech

Backpacking Schools

Spring 2008

Class	Schedule
<p>Inclement Weather Trip A great opportunity to get outdoors in the winter!</p> <p><u>Topics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Setting up winter-ready shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking in snow and other forms of precipitation <input type="checkbox"/> Dealing with hypothermia, frostbite, windchill, and lightning. 	<p>Class: Tue 1/14 6 PM – 8 PM Trip: Sat – Sun 1/19-1/20 7 AM -8PM</p> <p>Previous backpacking experience is required.</p> <p>Cost: (\$25/35)</p>
<p>Map and Compass School One of the best programs ORGT offers! Map & Compass school consists of two classroom sessions, a day exercise, and an overnight trip.</p> <p>Learn the skills & tools of backcountry navigation, how to read "topo" maps and relate what you see on paper to what's "out there" during our classroom sessions.</p> <p>Then go find yourself! Day exercises will challenge you to use your new skills. We drive you - blindfolded - to several mystery locations. You use your map & compass to figure out where we are! Instructors will help you figure out what's going on.</p> <p>The final test - the overnight trip - is challenging and a blast. We give you maps and drop you off somewhere in North Georgia - and you have less than 48 hours to find your way to the rendezvous point.</p>	<p>Class: Mon Feb 4 6 – 8 PM Day Trip: Sat Feb 9 7 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Class: Mon Feb 18 6 – 8 PM Overnight Trip: Sat-Sun Feb 23 - 24</p> <p>Day trip is a requirement for the overnight. Completion of ORGT's Intermediate School or equivalent is required.</p> <p>Cost: (\$35/45)</p>
<p>Backpacking Day Hike Looking to get out this Spring? Come join us on a day hike through the beautiful Southern Appalachian mountains. No experience necessary! We will teach you what you need to know to spend a day in the woods. This course is a great introduction to our overnight backpacking trips.</p> <p>No previous backpacking experience is required.</p>	<p>Class: Mon 3/24 7 – 8 PM Trip: Sat 3/29 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$15/20)</p>

<p>Beginner Backpacking Overnight: This is the prerequisite for the Intermediate Backpacker Trip.</p> <p>An introductory course that teaches the basics of backpacking.</p> <p><u>Topics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> how to chose clothing and gear <input type="checkbox"/> how to prepare quick and easy meals <input type="checkbox"/> packing your pack <input type="checkbox"/> the importance of trail etiquette <input type="checkbox"/> much more ... <input type="checkbox"/> Some of these topics are taught in the classroom before a trip and some are taught on the trail.. <p><u>Prerequisites</u> No previous backpacking experience is needed. This is good chance for beginners to get introduced to backpacking. More advanced backpackers may also wish to consider the qualification school, which allows them to become qualified to rent gear without covering material they already know. Also everyone will have the opportunity to meet new people to hike with and become introduced to ORGT backpacking.</p>	<p>Class: Mon 4/7 6 – 8 PM Trip: Sat - Sun 4/12-4/13 8 AM – 8PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$25/35)</p>
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Caving School

Spring 2008

Class	Schedule
<p>Beginner Horizontal Cave School: Beginner Horizontal School is a prerequisite for the Beginner Vertical School.</p> <p>You attend either Class 1 or Class 2 and the corresponding Trip.</p> <p>Example: If you attend Class 1 then you go on Trip 1, not Trip 2</p>	<p>Class 1: Wed 1/23 7 – 8 PM Trip 1: Sat 1/26 8 AM – 8PM</p> <p>Class 2: Wed 1/30 7 – 8 PM Trip 2: Sat 2/2 8 AM – 8PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$25/35)</p>
<p>Beginner Vertical Cave School:</p> <p>In order to successfully complete the school, you will need to attend both class sessions and both trips</p> <p>After successfully completing this school, you will be able to check out vertical gear from ORGT.</p>	<p>Class 1: Wed 2/20 7 – 9 PM Trip 1: Sat 2/23 8 AM – 10 PM</p> <p>Class 2: Wed 3/5 7 – 9 PM Trip 2: Sat 3/8 8 AM – 10 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$40/60)</p>

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Rock Climbing School

Spring 2008

Class	Schedule
<p>Climbing Beginner School:</p> <p>Beginner School is an introduction to the basics of technical rock climbing, including equipment, knots, and safety procedures. Students will rappel, climb (top rope), and learn basic climbing techniques. Those who competently complete this school will be eligible to rent a harness, shoes, belay device, and helmet from ORGT.</p> <p>The Beginner Climbing School consists of one class session and one trip; you must be able to attend both. Please note that trips tend to begin at 7 or 8am and often don't return until 10pm. They are long days, but we expect that you will have fun and make friends!</p>	<p>Class: Thur 2/21 6:30 – 7:30 PM Trip: Sat 2/23 7 AM – 10 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$25/35)</p>
<p>Anchor building for Rock Climbing:</p> <p>The Climbing Anchors school covers the basics of setting anchors at the top of a cliff for "top rope" climbing, though the concepts learned in this class are valuable in all aspects of rock climbing. Students will learn various climbing knots, proper ways to anchor to things, and safety and redundancy in setting up climbing anchors. On the trip, students will set and climb on top-rope anchors using natural protection such as trees, rocks and other natural features as well as artificial protection such as nuts, SLCDs, hexes, and tricams.</p> <p>You must have completed the Climbing Beginner School or have equivalent experience to take this class.</p>	<p>Class: Thur 3/5 6:30-7:30 PM Trip: Sat 3/8 7 AM – 10 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$25/35)</p>

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Mountain Biking

Spring 2008

Program	Schedule
Meetings (Year round except School Breaks)	Thursdays, 6:00pm at ORGT
Maintenance Classes: Hands on learning in basic bike maintenance. Things covered include adjusting brakes, derailleurs, changing flats, fixing chains, cleaning & lubing a bike, and much more.	Class 1: Thurs 2/7 7 – 9 PM - or - Class 2: Thurs 3/13 7 – 9 PM Cost: (\$5/10)
Beginner School: This school will introduce students to fundamental concepts of off-road riding. We will discuss basic riding skills, preparations for riding, safety, ethical and environmental considerations. Bring you own bike or use of ours (first come, first serve). Schools include quality instruction and travel	Class: Thurs 3/6 7 – 8 PM Trip: Sun 3/9 9 AM – 6 PM -or- Class: Thurs 4/3 7 – 8 PM Trip: Sun 4/5 9 AM – 6 PM Cost: (\$15/20)
Intermediate School: This class is designed to challenge and strengthen the skills from the Beginner School.	Class: Thurs 4/17 7 – 8 PM Trip: Sun 4/20 9 AM – 6 PM Cost: (\$15/20)

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Kayaking Touring School

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Class	Schedule
<p>Kayak Touring Beginner School:</p> <p>This school is intended to introduce people to kayak touring. We will cover some basics of safety, paddling technique, equipment and clothing. In the pool, we will practice the “wet exit” and introduce rescue techniques. On the lake we will practice paddling strokes and maneuvers. We will paddle a quiet section of a nearby lake such as Allatoona or Carter’s Lake.</p> <p>This school consists of a class / pool session and a day trip. You must be able to attend both. Be sure to bring a swimsuit and a towel to the class / pool session.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool. The class is a pre-requisite for the intermediate school / trip.</p>	
<p>Kayak Touring Intermediate School:</p> <p>This school is intended as a continuation of the Beginner School. We will discuss challenges / hazards of kayak touring, including weather and water conditions and power boat traffic. Students will learn what to bring and how to pack a boat for overnight trips. Wilderness Outpost camping equipment rental is included in the price of the school.</p> <p>This school consists of a class session / logistics meeting and an overnight trip. You must be able to attend both.. Upon successful completion of the school, GT community members can use our gear for trips to inland bodies of water. This school is a a pre-requisite for the coastal break trips offered by ORGT.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer, and have taken the Beginner School (above) or equivalent. Sign-up preference for this trip is given to those who have just completed the Beginner School.</p>	

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White Water Kayaking

Spring 2008

Class	Schedule
<p>Sampler School:</p> <p>This one week introductory course includes one classroom session, one mandatory pool session, and one trip to a lake or slow moving river. Material covered includes a general introduction to the sport of kayaking, familiarization with basic equipment, rudimentary paddle strokes, an explanation of the ORGT kayaking progression, and the organization of typical school trips.</p> <p>Participants must be able to swim (you will be asked to perform a minimal proficiency test), and be comfortable in swift moving water. In order to participate in the weekend trip, you must attend both the classroom session and the pool session. The Sampler trip usually meets at 9:00am and returns between 2:00pm and 4:00pm.</p> <p>The Sampler is a pre-requisite for the Beginner School, and there will be a separate sign-up process after the conclusion of the Sampler for those wishing to continue through the program.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool. Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>	<p>Class: Wed 3/5 6-7:30 PM Pool Session: Wed 3/5 7:30-10 PM Trip: Sat 3/8 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$20/35)</p> <p>Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>
<p>Beginner Kayaking School:</p> <p>Material covered in this two week course will include the basics of boat control on moving water, river features, route finding, and river safety. The goal is to provide students with the basic skills needed to navigate on class 2+ whitewater.</p> <p>The schedule consists of a classroom session, pool practice, and two trips per weekend for two weeks. You must attend all classroom sessions and one trip per weekend to participate. The pool practice following the first classroom session is mandatory, but the pool session following the second classroom session is optional. Trips usually meet at 8:00am and return between 6:00pm and</p>	<p>Class 1: Wed 3/26 6 – 7:30 PM Pool Session: Wed 3/26 7:30-10PM Trip 1: Sat 3/29 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Class 2: Wed 4/2 6 – 7:30 PM Trip 2: Sat 4/5 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$55/80)</p> <p>Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>

<p>8:00pm. The Sampler is a pre-requisite to register for the Beginner School.</p> <p>The Beginner School is a pre-requisite for the Intermediate School, and there will be a separate sign-up process after the conclusion of the Beginner School for those wishing to continue into the Intermediate School. Participants completing the Beginner School will have a spot reserved in the Intermediate School that semester if they wish to continue through the program.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool. Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>	
<p>Intermediate Kayaking School:</p> <p>Material covered in this two week course will include more advanced paddle strokes and boat control on faster moving water, playboating basics, as well as continued development of water reading and route finding skills. The goal is to provide students with the skills needed to navigate on class 3+ whitewater and organize their own trips after the class is over. Use of ORGT whitewater kayaking gear up to class 3+ whitewater is granted for Ga Tech students and ORGT affiliates upon satisfactory completion of this course and the ORGT whitewater checkout test.</p> <p>The schedule consists of a classroom session, pool practice, and two trips per weekend for two weeks. You must attend all classroom sessions and one trip per weekend to participate. The pool practices are optional, but highly recommended. Trips usually meet at 8:00am and return between 8:00pm and 10:00pm. The Beginner School is a pre-requisite to register for the Intermediate School.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool. Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>	<p>Class 1: Wed 4/9 6 – 7:30 PM Trip 1: Sat 4/12 8 AM– 8 PM</p> <p>Class 2: Wed 4/16 6 – 7:30 PM Trip 2: Sat 4/19 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$55/80)</p> <p>Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>

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Whitewater Canoeing School

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Class	Schedule
<p>Roll School Pool Sessions</p>	<p>Every Wednesday 7-10PM</p>
<p>Canoe Sampler School This school is a prerequisite for the Beginner School</p> <p>This is an introductory course consisting of one class, one pool session, and a day trip to a nearby lake. In addition, depending on student performance and interest, the class may include a short trip on a Class I-II river. Topics for the class include an introduction to the equipment, basic paddling technique, basic boat control, performing wet exits and self rescue and water safety. Students must be prepared to swim!</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool. Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>	<p>Class: Wed 3/5 6-7:30 PM Pool Session: Wed 3/5 7:30-10 PM Trip: Sat 3/8 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$20/35)</p> <p>Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>
<p>Canoeing Beginner School: This School is a prerequisite for the Intermediate School.</p> <p>In the beginner school, you will learn the basics of whitewater paddling. The beginner school consists of two classes, at least one pool session, and two trips. Topics for the class include boat maneuvering and control, paddle strokes, river reading, and river safety. The trips will be performed on Class II-III rivers, with increasing difficulty as the class continues. You will swim on the river! Both trips will be full days, so please do not make plans assuming an early return.</p> <p>You must be able to attend both classes and both trips. Trips become progressively more challenging; missing a trip may cause you to be ineligible for the remainder of the school.</p> <p>You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool.</p>	<p>Class 1: Wed 3/26 6 – 7:30 PM Pool Session: Wed 3/26 7:30-10PM Trip 1: Sat 3/29 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Class 2: Wed 4/2 6 – 7:30 PM Trip 2: Sat 4/5 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$55/80)</p> <p>Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!</p>

Canoeing Intermediate School:

The intermediate school will build on the skills and knowledge you acquired during the previous two schools. There are two classes and two trips. Topics for the class will include improved boat maneuvering and control, improved integration of paddle strokes, river reading and basic rescue techniques. The trips will be performed on Class III-III+ rivers, with increasing difficulty as the class continues. **Expect to swim on the river!** Both trips will be full day events.

As with the other whitewater schools, you must be able to attend both classes and both trips.

You must be a competent swimmer; you will be asked to demonstrate swimming skills in the pool.

Class 1: Wed 4/9 6 – 7:30 PM
Trip 1: Sat 4/12 8 AM– 8 PM

Class 2: Wed 4/16 6 – 7:30 PM
Trip 2: Sat 4/19 8 AM – 8 PM

Cost: (\$55/80)

Bring Swimsuit/towel to class!

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Whitewater Rafting School

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Class	Schedule
<p>Rafting Guide School- 1st Session</p> <p>Learn to guide a raft on some of the greatest rivers in the Southeast! This fast and fun course will teach you the skills and knowledge you need. Graduates of this course are eligible to rent rafting gear for use on their own. Included: quality instructors, gear, and sometimes travel.</p> <p>You should attend BOTH class sessions and BOTH Trips.</p>	<p>Class: Wed 4/2 6 – 7:30 PM Trip: Sat 4/5 8 AM – 8 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$30/50)</p>
<p>Rafting Guide School- 2nd Session</p>	<p>Class: Wed 4/9 6 - 7 PM Trip: Sat 4/12 8 AM – 8 PM</p>

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Women in the Wilderness

Spring 2008

Class	Schedule
<p>Hey ladies, join us for a fun day of geocaching. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geocaching)</p> <p>This new and exciting experience with other women from Tech will give you a great challenge, an opportunity to make new friends, all while learning new skills. This trip will be a lot of fun and give you a chance to try something new while hanging out with other women looking for something adventurous. We provide a learning environment that is supportive and non-competitive. We'll teach you everything you need to know and supply all the needed gear.</p> <p>Geocaching is an outdoor treasure-hunting game in which the participants use a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver and other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers (called "geocaches" or "caches") anywhere in the world. A typical cache is a small waterproof container containing a logbook and "treasure", usually toys or trinkets of little monetary value. The adventure is seeking!</p>	<p>Class: Thurs 4/3 4 – 5 PM Day Trip: Sat 4/5 9AM – 4PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$15/25)</p>
<p>Women's Night @ the Climbing Wall</p> <p>NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED</p> <p>The Women's Resource Center and ORGT are teaming up to offer you an evening at the CRC Climbing Wall.</p> <p>Come join us for this "all women's" program. We will provide everything you need including, gear and instruction, just bring yourself. We will be teaching in a supportive, non-competitive environment.</p> <p>NOTE: Pay for the fee UPSTAIRS at the CRC Membership Services. Bring the receipt to the wall.</p> <p>For general information about Women in the Wilderness, or to be put on the mailing list, contact Yvette Upton , Director, Women's Resource Center.</p>	<p>Fri 2/29 5 PM – 7 PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$3/5)</p>

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Special Events

Class	Schedule
<p>Ocoee Day o' Fun</p> <p>Ever wanted to go rafting on the on the 1996 Olympic Whitewater competition. Join us for a fun filled day on the Ocoee River. This is a staple river in southeastern whitewater, being one of the top 5 rafted rivers in America.</p> <p>If you have ever wanted to learn how to be an awesome raft guide, but not sure if you will like it. Take this great opportunity for an exciting ride down the Ocoee with some professional raft guides and meet fellow adventure seeking Tech students along the way. If you like it ORGT offers a guide school in which you can enroll.</p>	<p>Class: Thurs 3/27 6 – 7 PM Day Trip: Sat 3/29 8AM – 7PM</p> <p>Cost: (\$35/45)</p>
<p>Appalachian Trail Day of Environmental Stewardship</p> <p>Join us for a fun and fulfilling day of trail maintenance on the storied Appalachian Trail. The AT travels from Georgia to Maine as it encompasses 2,175 miles along the way.</p> <p>Come help ORGT as we give back to the wilderness that we love and enjoy so much, as we collaborate with the Georgia Appalachian Trail Club. Enjoy great views in a wonderful time of the year to be in the North Georgia mountains and help the keep the AT beautiful while there.</p>	<p>Class: Mon 4/14 6 – 7 PM Day Trip: Sat 4/19 8AM – 7PM</p> <p>Cost: (Free)</p>

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