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University Parent Media works closely with institutions around the country to bring together the most relevant, timely information into one all-inclusive resource.

We have published this guide with the mission of helping you easily navigate the university and its surrounding community. Ultimately, we hope these resources help nurture your connection and involvement in your student's college years!

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# Welcome to Colorado School of Mines

## To the Parents of Our Entering Students:

On behalf of the Colorado School of Mines campus community, we welcome you as the parents of our entering students. With your support as a partner in your student's academic endeavors at Mines, they are sure to succeed. Your son or daughter now becomes a part of an exceptional student body, all of whom share the challenging and rewarding goal of becoming a Mines graduate.

Mines is among the top educational institutions in the nation who offer an integral focus on the Earth's natural resources, energy, materials and the environment. When your student becomes a Mines' graduate, they will play a pivotal role in these and other fields, no matter what their professional aspirations may be.

Now that your daughter or son has become a member of this special Mines family, he/she will be challenged to work

harder and to be the best. Courses and faculty at Mines are demanding, but fair, and the student's eventual reward will be the opportunities their Mines' degree will afford them as well-rounded, well-educated adults whose expertise contributes to the well-being of societies around the world. Since Colorado School of Mines is an international community of scholars and leaders, the student's opportunity to learn from and interact with faculty and staff goes far beyond the classroom. Outside of their teaching, research, and public service activities, faculty and staff are highly accessible to every student, and their collective wisdom and experience is a valuable resource: one in which we encourage all students to take advantage.

The School offers many opportunities outside of the classroom for students to develop leadership skills, refine interpersonal abilities, relieve stress, socialize with peers and have fun. We encourage students to get involved and actively participate in opportunities

such as student recreation center programs, student organizations, campus events, recreational outdoor activities, and intramural sports.

As educators and administrators at Colorado School of Mines, we take our roles very seriously to ensure your daughter or son experiences a safe and challenging learning environment; one which will ultimately provide them with the skills and values required to tackle and successfully solve the problems of today's complicated world. So, once again, welcome to the Mines family: a community where we strive for excellence in everything we do.

Best Regards,



**Daniel P. Fox, Ph.D.**  
Vice President of Student Life,  
Dean of Students ■





# Student Services

## ACADEMIC SERVICES OFFICE:

Academic Services supports students in their pursuit of greater academic success at Mines. Because each student's academic path and K-12 preparation is unique, we offer an array of services that assist students with varied majors, learning styles, and academic needs.

Our services include the following:

- 116 hours of public and private tutoring weekly
- Calculus, Chemistry, and Physics supplemental workshops
- Individual academic coaching and preparation. This includes time-management, study skills, learning style assessments, and a variety of other services.

The transition to Mines' academic standards can be a challenge for any student – regardless of academic competency. We aim to support your student as best we can.

## CAREER CENTER:

The Mines Career Center assists students and recent graduates in developing and evaluating career, education and employment decisions.

The following services are offered:

- Individual job search advice, resume, cover letter, and interview critiques.
- Individual career counseling and resources to help choose a major.
- Over 20 job search workshops provided each year by staff and company recruiters.
- Summer internships, cooperative education positions, part-time jobs, full-time entry level positions, and research opportunities posted on DiggerNet: an on-line system available only to Mines students and recent graduates.
- CSM Career Days (Fall and Spring), virtual career fairs, and special recruiting events.
- On-campus interviews and

information sessions with many employers from various industries.

- Salary, employment, and over-all outcomes information.

## COUNSELING CENTER:

The Counseling Center is staffed by licensed mental health professionals experienced in assisting students with a host of presenting issues. We also partner with community providers and connect students to specialized help when indicated. Our services are free, confidential and voluntary, aiming to promote positive development and successful navigation of the CSM journey. We promote balance and wellness through sponsoring campus events, classes and workshops on relevant topics.

## DISABILITY SERVICES:

The goal of Student Disability Services is to provide an equal opportunity for students with disabilities to participate in University courses, programs, and activities by providing reasonable accommodations for qualifying students. Staff work with students to manage the impact of their disability on learning and living at the Colorado School of Mines. Students seeking academic accommodations must apply for services; this office determines eligibility and appropriate accommodations. Additionally, counseling and academic services are available. Student Disability Services is located in the Office of Student Development and Academic Services. ▶

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### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES (ISSS):

The ISSS Office serves approximately 600 international students who attend Mines and provides the following services: admission of undergraduate international students, advice on immigration regulations by individual appointment and group seminars, preparation of legal documents that allow international students and their dependents to travel outside the US, and orientation programs for all international students. Our office also sponsors events and programs to help students adjust to life in the US and at Mines.

### OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS (OIP):

The Office of International Programs (OIP) governs and supervises the study abroad program. By collaborating with universities from Hong Kong to New Zealand, OIP provides inimitable opportunities to students with interest in education abroad. The education abroad program is designed to assist students with obtaining the skills they will need to work effectively in an international environment and to be able to succeed in an increasingly interdependent world where borders between countries and cultures are becoming less distinct. Courses taken abroad are approved as replacement for CSM courses so the student can reasonably expect to graduate on time. Scholarships and financial aid apply to approved study abroad programs. The Office of International Programs is your student's one-stop access to the World.



### STUDENT HEALTH CENTER:

The Coulter Student Health Center provides health care to current Mines students who have paid the health services fee as well as spouses who have paid this fee. Services are provided by a caring team of nurses and nurse practitioners. Physician care is available for several hours each week during the fall and spring semesters. Evaluation of illness and injuries, travel advice and well women exams are provided. Most services are covered by the student health fee. The Health Center also houses a dental clinic. Services include preventive and basic dentistry care. Dental services are available to all fee-paying students for a modest fee. ■



# Campus Involvement

Students who are involved in extra-curricular activities perform better academically. We truly have something for everyone within our wide array of activities offered on campus.

## Student Activities Office:

The Student Activities Office provides and supports a variety of campus involvement opportunities. In addition to advising student government (ASCSM), the student programming board (Mines Activities Council), and the fraternities and sororities, the office also oversees the 170+ student organizations that are on campus. Several campus events including Orientation, Celebration of Mines, Parents & Family Weekend, Homecoming and E-Days are coordinated through the Student Activities Office. Additionally, the office assists in providing many leadership development opportunities for students from programs like the Leadership Class to our annual Leadership Summit. See our website for more information: <http://studentactivities.mines.edu>.

## Minority Engineering Program (MEP):

MEP is an academic-enhancing program committed to the minority women and men at Mines. The office is a home-away-from-home environment complete with a kitchen, conference room, study center, and computer lab. MEP provides support services including job referral and scholarship information, social support, professional development and support to four student organizations: AISES (American Indian Science & Engineering Society), NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers), SASE (Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers), and SHPE (Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers).

## Athletics:

Colorado School of Mines' intercollegiate athletics program provides student-athletes with the opportunity to participate



in 18 varsity sports. As one of 14 schools in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC), CSM provides an excellent opportunity and environment for both the scholar and the athlete. The RMAC is an NCAA Division II affiliate consisting of 10 institutions in Colorado, and two each in Nebraska and New Mexico. Men's sports offered at Colorado School of Mines include baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, swimming & diving, track & field and wrestling. Women's sports include basketball, cross-country, soccer, softball, swimming & diving, track & field and volleyball. Check out the Athletics website for schedules and more information: [www.csmorediggers.com](http://www.csmorediggers.com).

## Intramurals & Club Sports:

Intramural activities are structured sport leagues and tournaments open to all students to participate. The 40 different events offered throughout the year at little to no cost, provide exercise, promote leisure, and enhance personal development and social interactions. The Club Sports program complements the school's intercollegiate, intramural

and physical activity programs. Sixteen different student-led teams (bowling, cycling, inline hockey, ice hockey, lacrosse, rugby, ski team, soccer, ultimate and volleyball) compete against other colleges regionally and nationally.

## The Student Recreation Center (SRC):

The SRC is a great resource and provides ample opportunities for students to engage in healthy and safe recreational programs and activities. The SRC is equipped with a Natatorium, a Climbing Wall, Lockridge Arena, an Elevated Jogging Track, a Fitness Lab, Equipment Check-Out, a Juice Lab, Locker rooms, Multi Activity Rooms, a Recreation Gymnasium, Fitness Classes, Wellness Programs, Personal Training, and the Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC).

## Outdoor Recreation Center:

The Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC) is designed to be a resource for the CSM community. The ORC offers an equipment rental program with gear for camping, climbing, backpacking, mountain biking, mountaineering, kayaking and many other outdoor activities. The ORC also maintains a library of guidebooks and maps specific to Colorado and surrounding states, as well as books on specific skills. A wide variety of outdoor trips and workshops are scheduled each semester including hiking, camping, mountaineering, rock and ice climbing, mountain biking, skiing/snowboarding and much more. Bicycle, ski, and snowboard maintenance services are provided in addition to special events and the climbing wall. The ORC is here to satisfy all of your student's outdoor needs! ■



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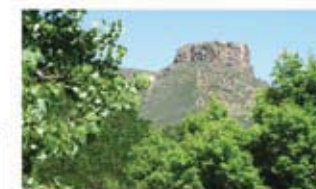
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# Living On Campus

## Housing:

The Colorado School of Mines offers seven different residence hall options: Weaver Towers, the four Traditional Halls, Maple Hall, and the Residence Halls at Mines Park. Each are staffed with Resident Assistants, Hall Directors, and professional Residence Life Coordinators, all of whom help build a positive, academically-focused, and socially supportive community for residence halls students. Furthermore, first year students are required to live on-campus within the Mines residence halls to ensure a smooth transition into college. After students' first year the apartments at Mines Park or Jones Road Apartments provide independent living for upper class and graduate students, as well as family housing. Please visit [http://inside.mines.edu/Student\\_Housing](http://inside.mines.edu/Student_Housing) to review all of the options.

## Campus Dining:

All students living in the residence halls during the academic year (Aug-May) are required to purchase a residential meal plan. Students may choose from a variety of meal plan options and select one that fits their lifestyle. Dining Services offers delicious, healthy meals to satisfy every taste and need. Special dietary requests may be made for students with religious, food allergies, or medical dietary needs. Students simply use their BlasterCard (campus ID card) to access their meal plans. There are various options and times that meals are served each week.

## Public Safety:

Creating a safe living environment is of the utmost importance to the departments of Residence Life and Public Safety, and the



# Parents & Family Weekend

The Student Activities Office and Parents Fund proudly present the 2011 Parents & Family Weekend on November 4-6, 2011. Mark your calendars for this fun-filled opportunity to visit campus and experience life at Mines! Activities include a tour of the Edgar Mine, tours of special centers on campus including the Earthquake Information Center and the Geology Museum, a home football game, comedy show and more. The cost is minimal, registration is required. Please check the Student Activities Office website in August for additional information (<http://studentactivities.mines.edu>). ■

Colorado School of Mines community. To promote student safety, Mines offers the following services:

- Continuous vehicle and foot patrols by full-time sworn police officers
- Residence Life staff that monitor the community inside the halls
- Locked building entry doors 24 hours a day
- Escort provided by officers 24 hours a day
- Emergency communication network between Public Safety staff and residence hall staff
- Continuously updated emergency management policies
- Mines Emergency Alert system, which allows students to be immediately updated by text, phone, and email on all major campus emergency situations
- For questions, contact Public Safety at (303)273-3333 or check out their website: <http://publicsafety.mines.edu>

## Parking:

On-Campus Residence Hall students have the option to purchase a parking pass for their vehicles in order to park in campus residential parking lots. Students may register on-line for a parking permit at <http://inside.mines.edu/Parking>. Note: bike racks are available at all residence hall locations and some halls provide covered/locked storage for bikes. ■



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# Office of the Registrar

The Registrar's Office is available to help your student with his/her academic needs including enrollment verification letters, official transcript requests, registration help, graduation audits, and various academic forms.

## CWID, Trailhead Password and E-Key:

Your student's Campus-Wide Identification Number (CWID) is his/her student ID number. It is an 8-digit number used throughout his/her entire time at Mines. Students should memorize this number or have it with them at all times. The Trailhead Password is a password for the student web services. It is imperative that this password is kept private, and used only by the student. The E-Key is the authorization to create computing accounts on campus and is mailed to the student by the Campus Computing and Information Technology offices (CCIT). Again, it is extremely important that the E-Key is kept private and used only by the student.

## Course Registration:

Registration for new freshmen and new transfer students is completed in their first semester by the Registrar's Office staff. New freshmen are normally enrolled in 14-17 hours of coursework. Time

preferences are not normally possible this first term in order to ensure that all students get a full-time schedule. Schedules can be viewed online, but are not final until New Student Orientation in August. Adjustments can be made the day classes start, but keep in mind space is tight and changing your classes may mean losing a seat in a required class. It is strongly recommended that students stay in their assigned first semester classes.

AP and IB credit are normally received and applied to the student records during the last two weeks of July. Once this information is received, adjustments to student schedules will be made to put students in advanced coursework. These adjustments normally take place through the second week of August.

After the first semester, registration is completed by the student through Trailhead.

## Confirmation of Registration:

At the beginning of each term, students will need to log on to Trailhead to confirm attendance for that semester. If your student does not plan on attending, he/she must drop all courses before classes start by contacting the Registrar's Office. After classes begin, a withdrawal notification form needs to be completed which includes required signatures. If this is not completed before September 7, 2011, the student will be charged for all courses according to the federal financial aid rules.

## Contact Information:

In order for campus offices to reach your student concerning billing, registration, academic updates, deadline reminders, and other important matters, a current local address and phone number must be listed in the student's Trailhead account. The Colorado School of Mines requires that all students use their assigned Mines e-mail account. This is an official means of communication between administrative offices and students. Students are responsible for checking this account on a regular basis and spam filters do not absolve students of the responsibility of knowing the content of official e-mails sent to Mines accounts. ►

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\*See official rules for details.






# Office of the Registrar

E-mail accounts can be set-up using the E-Key number provided by the Campus Computing and Information Technology Office. Additionally, the Mines Emergency Alert System allows a student to identify a cell phone number and a text address to which campus officials can send a message in the event of an emergency on campus. This contact information can be provided and updated in the Trailhead System under Self-Service, Personal Information.

## Enrollment Verification:

Beginning the first day of class, the student can access and print their enrollment verification online, at no charge. Logon to Trailhead, go to the Student tab (not Self-Service), and go to the enrollment verification link under the Registrar's Office area. If the student does not have a social security number

or if the student has not provided it, this service cannot be accessed. For a nominal fee, students without SSNs and/or parents can request this information online at [www.MyStudentCenter.org](http://www.MyStudentCenter.org).

## Verification of Lawful Presence:

Verification of Lawful Presence is not about proving citizenship, but is to verify that a person is lawfully present in the U.S. pursuant to federal law. Please visit the following website to see the documents needed to complete this process: <http://inside.mines.edu/Verification-of-Lawful-Presence>.

## Selective Service Verification:

Verification of registration with Selective Service can be done through Trailhead: Self Service, Personal Information, choose "Answer a Survey" and select the "Selective Service" survey. ■

# FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) deals specifically with the education records of students, affording them certain rights with respect to those records. For purposes of definition, education records are those records which are directly related to a student and maintained by an institution or a party acting for the institution.

FERPA gives students who attend a post-secondary institution the right to inspect and review their own education records. Furthermore, students have other rights, including the right to request amendment of records and to have some control over the disclosure of personally identifiable information from these records.



At the post-secondary level, parents have no inherent rights to inspect a student's education records. The right to inspect is limited solely to the student. Records may be released to the parents only under the following circumstances:

- Through the written consent of the student.
- In compliance with a subpoena.
- By submission of evidence that the parents declare the student as a dependent on their most recent Federal Income Tax form (IRS Code of 1954, Section 152). This information should be provided directly to the Registrar's Office by the parent.

For more information regarding FERPA, visit <http://inside.mines.edu/FERPA>.

Frequently Asked Questions:

For any questions not answered at <http://inside.mines.edu/Registrar-A-Z>, email your questions to [registrar@mines.edu](mailto:registrar@mines.edu). ■

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## Financial Aid Office

The Financial Aid Office seeks to make CSM a possibility for all students and families by offering as many financial aid options as possible. The following are maintained through the Financial Aid Office:

- Direct PLUS Loans-for parents
- Federal Direct Stafford Loans- for students
- Federal, State & Institutional Grants and Scholarships
- Work Study Jobs and Contracts
- Federal Perkins Loan
- Outside Scholarships

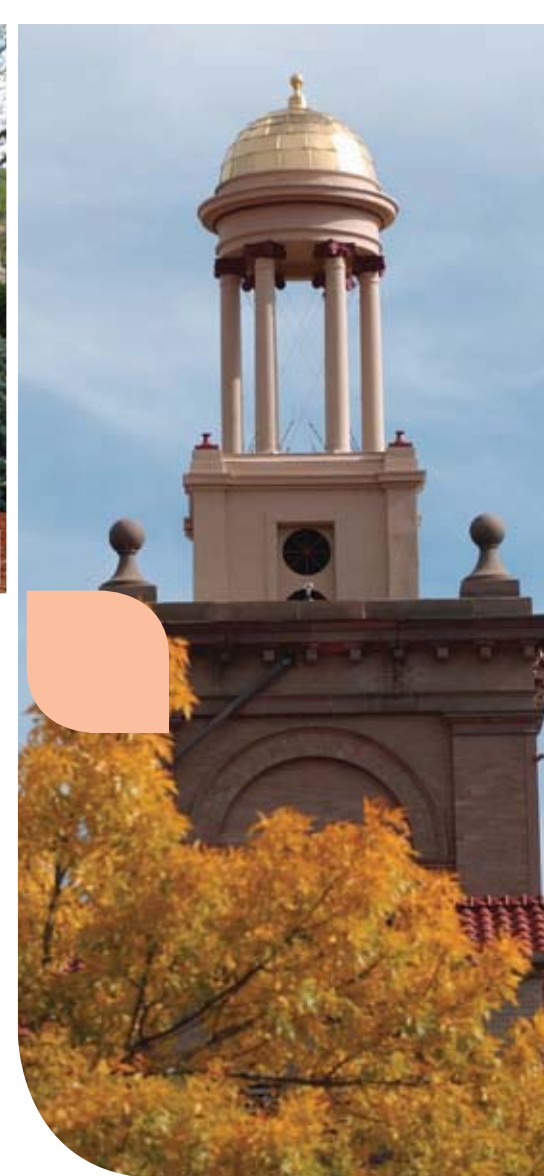
All information related to Financial Aid is posted on the student's Trailhead account in the Self-Service Student section. There, students can access their schedule, review billing statements,

accept Stafford loans, change their address, review their financial aid records, and print work-study contracts.


Due to federal privacy laws, questions can only be answered via the student's Mines email account. Financial aid information is considered a "closed record" by FERPA. Closed record means that we can only discuss students' financial aid information with them. The law specifically states that even a letter from the student giving permission for another party to have access to their information does not waive their right to privacy and, even with such a letter on file, we cannot give information to anyone other than the student. We fully understand that this may not seem reasonable. Yet by law the students are the responsible party

for all of their information, including their billing and payment information. Students can pass the information along to parents or provide you with access to their Trailhead account. We will be happy to answer your questions if you visit our office with your student.


Financial Aid counselors have experience helping students work through a variety of situations, such as dropping courses to protect their GPA, late time-sheets, and changes in family financial situations. We are glad to help explain their options, but request that they come to see us before it becomes a crisis. We are here to help students make informed choices, especially when it pertains to college financing. ■




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# Student Receivables Office

The Student Receivables Office manages billing and payment on student accounts. Student Receivables is committed to providing students with the best customer service and resources necessary to facilitate the payment and understanding of their charges. Services provided by the Student Receivables Office include billing, cashiering, sponsor management, payment plans, refunds, etc. Please see our website for answers to general questions: [http://inside.mines.edu/Accounts\\_Receivable-Cashiering](http://inside.mines.edu/Accounts_Receivable-Cashiering).

## Billing:

Student bills are provided electronically only through the “My Account Page” located on Trailhead. CSM does not generate paper invoices. At the beginning of every semester students receive a notification through their Mines e-mail account when an eBill is available in Trailhead. CSM does not provide paper bills so it is important for students to access their eBills online when they become available. After the beginning of the semester, bills are generated monthly.

Tuition and fees are due on the first business day following the Census Date. There is a 5 business day grace period. Therefore, any payment not received by the close of business on the last day of the grace period will be assessed a late fee. Any outstanding balance that is not covered by financial aid or a Payment Plan will be subject to late fees, assessed monthly, equal to 1.5% of the outstanding balance. Late payments may also result in account holds, which prevent future registration, release of transcripts, and graduation.

## Parent/Third Party Account Access:

Students who would like to grant parents/third parties access to view account information may do so by setting up a pin and password online through their “My Account Page.” Below are instructions for students to do so:

- Log into Trailhead. Select: Self Service, Student, Student Records, My Account Page
- Select “Add New” next to Parent PINS
- Create a Login Name: this will be the user ID when accessing his/her account page via CASHNet (our third party vendor who securely processes payments for CSM)
- Input an email address: without an email address, access cannot be set-up
- Verbiage can be included with the welcome email that is automatically generated after set-up is completed
- Click OK: this will send an email automatically to the individual; this user’s access can be edited at anytime by selecting “Edit” next to Parent PINS.

Parents/Third Parties do not have access to Trailhead. Therefore, a link to access

the student’s account page will be included for them in the email. Please save this under your favorites. The link is also located on the CSM Accounts-Receivable\_Cashiering webpage. ONLY individuals the student sets up through Trailhead will be able to view your student’s information; CSM cannot grant anyone access to your student’s account, he/she must initiate this process.

## Cashiering:

Students can pay online via electronic check, free of charge by accessing their “My Account Page” and selecting “Make a Payment.” Credit Card payments are also accepted on the “My Account Page” with a convenience charge assessed. Checks may also be mailed to the attention of STUDENT TUITION, Colorado School of Mines at Department 1914, Denver, CO 80291-1914. Checks mailed to CSM should include the Campus Wide ID (CWID) on the check payment to ensure proper posting of the payment. If a student prefers to pay by wire, information is available upon request. The Cashier is located on campus in the Student Center. The Cashier accepts check and cash payments only.

## Payment Plans:

For a small enrollment fee, students are able to enroll in payment plans each semester. Rather than paying their entire tuition at the due date, payment plans enable students to break up their tuition payments into installments that are due

at a specific date each month. Payments are automatically deducted from an account that is setup when you enroll in the payment plan. Details regarding payments plans are available online.

## Refunds:

Students who are eligible for a refund from Colorado School of Mines can receive the funds by enrolling in eRefund located on the “My Account Page” on Trailhead. Once a student is enrolled in eRefund, they need to submit a Refund Request Form to the Cashier’s Office. Students who are unable to submit the form at the Cashier’s Office can access it on the CSM website and send the electronic copy via e-mail to [sturecv@mines.edu](mailto:sturecv@mines.edu). Disbursements will begin the first day of classes.

## Sponsor Management:

Students who have their tuition paid by a business or government are able to receive sponsorship status if proper documentation is sent to the Student Receivables Office before specified due dates. All new sponsors are required to fill out a Sponsor Authorization Form that can be accessed on the Mines website. In order to be considered a sponsored student by CSM, the Sponsor Authorization Form must be submitted before the first day of classes each semester. Specific details regarding the sponsorship process can be viewed on our website or by contacting the Student Receivables Office directly. ■

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A Look at Golden's 150 Year History

It's no wonder that Golden, Colorado has a reputation as one of the West's friendliest cities. Upon entering Golden's historic downtown, visitors are enthusiastically greeted with a large, western-style sign arching across Washington Avenue, which reads, "Howdy Folks! Welcome to Golden," and proudly boasts the slogan, "Where the West Lives." This iconic sign perfectly captures the spirit of Golden, a friendly and forward thinking city proud of its western heritage.

## Dear Mines Parents:

Welcome to Golden! With your family's decision to have your son or daughter attend Mines, your entire family becomes a welcome part of our community. As community members, we hope you and your student come to enjoy and care for Golden as much as long time residents do. And there's a lot to enjoy.

From hiking and biking trails that we all enjoy to our rock climbing and kayaking activities for the more adventurous, Golden has much to offer when your student needs a break from studying. We hope you will consider taking advantage of these outdoor opportunities yourselves, and our historic downtown, museums, and cultural attractions as well.

Your student's years in Golden will fly by very quickly. Rest assured that your student and your entire family are already part of the Golden community.

For more information about the community and activities, check out [www.cityofgolden.net](http://www.cityofgolden.net) and [www.2hourvacation.com](http://www.2hourvacation.com).

Sincerely,

Jacob Smith,  
Mayor ■



Founded in 1859 and the territorial capital of Colorado from 1862 until 1867, Golden is an idyllic former gold-rush town nestled between two volcanic mesas and against the foothills of the Rocky Mountains – at its center lies Clear Creek, the lifeblood of its existence. Among other notable sites, it is home to the Coors Brewery, gravesite of William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody and the Colorado School of Mines, a highly renowned university committed to teaching and research related to engineering and applied science.

Originally named "Golden City," it is believed to be named not only for being the supply center for miners of the region during the Pikes Peak Gold Rush, but also after Thomas L. Golden, one of the first prospectors to pan for gold in the area. In addition to the ample supply of gold in the region, Golden is also recognized for its coal, brick, and clay enterprises, which literally helped build the city from the ground up. The efforts of former Golden mayor, William A. H. Loveland, allowed the city to become a leader in providing the earliest railway system to connect with the mining towns in the mountains of Colorado. ▶

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Golden began as a small town with approximately 2,500 residents, but after the Second World War, it quickly grew in size geographically, economically and demographically. However, Golden retains a small town feel and sense of community through several long-standing traditions that preserve and honor the town's western spirit, such as Buffalo Bill Days and Olde Golden Christmas.

Uniquely located and "home of the 2-Hour Vacation," visitors can discover a variety of monumental sights over the course of days – or if pressed for time, in just a few hours. Golden offers a splendid array of culture, shopping, history and recreation. Visitors can browse for artwork, explore historic landmarks and buildings, hike or bike the trails of Golden Gate Canyon State Park and the Table Mountains, sip a cappuccino in one of the eclectic coffee shops lining Washington Avenue, and tour a variety of interesting museums for a look back in time to life on the Colorado frontier.

The extensive array of museums and attractions Golden has to offer is a source of cultural pride for this modest-sized city. Three centrally located Golden History Museums,

owned by the city, offer visitors the chance to learn about the life and culture of Golden pioneers and the city's distinctive past through insightful exhibits, old settlements and historic collections. Art lovers can enjoy beautiful works by Colorado artists displayed within the Foothills Art Center, a converted Victorian church. The outdoor train yard exhibit of the Colorado Railroad Museum offers visitors a hands-on experience and information about the compelling beginning of Colorado's railway system (including railroad robberies), while the Bradford Washburn American Mountaineering Museum offers a look at the lifestyle and accomplishments of mountaineers. For a great view of the entire city and beyond, visitors can head up Lookout Mountain to visit the gravesite of famed showman, Buffalo Bill Cody, as well as tour a museum honoring his life and work. And of course, the world's largest single site brewery, the Coors Brewery, is a must see and offers free samples of its many brews.

Before scheduling a visit to Golden, be sure to check out [www.2hourvacation.com](http://www.2hourvacation.com) for information on events, lodging and attractions. ■

## 10 Free & Fun Things to Do in Golden

- 1 Catch a free horse-drawn carriage ride through Historic Downtown Golden. Hop on board during the summer Saturday Farmers' Markets or at the year-round First Friday celebrations.
- 2 Watch the kayakers running the chutes at the Clear Creek Kayak Park.
- 3 Tour the world's largest single site brewery, the Coors Brewery. If you're 21, be sure to stop into the Coors Hospitality Lounge to enjoy a fresh sample.
- 4 Enjoy the many statues that line the Clear Creek walking path, and downtown area. Stop into the Golden Visitors Center for information on all that Golden offers.
- 5 Experience pioneer life at the Clear Creek History Park. The park includes two ranch cabins, a barn, a blacksmith shop, a one-room schoolhouse, heritage gardens and a chicken coop.
- 6 Drive up Lookout Mountain's Lariat Trail Loop for incredible views of Golden and Denver. At the top, you can stop into the Lookout Mountain Nature Preserve to learn about native plants and enjoy a stroll around their ten acres of ponderosa pine forest.
- 7 Take a free tour at the National Earthquake Information Center or at the Colorado School of Mines Geology Museum, both conveniently located on campus.
- 8 Take in fabulous and fun festivals, including Olde Golden Christmas and the Candlelight Walk in December, the Wild West Auto Round-Up in June, Buffalo Bill Days in July and the Golden Fine Arts Festival in August.
- 9 Soak in the friendly hospitality of Golden and shop the locally owned stores lining Washington Avenue.
- 10 Explore where dinosaurs roamed and view fossils with a hike along Triceratops Trail at Fossil Trace. ■

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# Academic Facts

DEGREES PURSUED IN FALL 2010	BACHELOR'S	GRADUATE & PHD	TOTAL
Chemical Engineering	526	64	590
Chemistry & Geochemistry	91	54	145
Economics & Business	44	144	188
Engineering- Civil	285	42	327
Engineering- Electrical	205	66	271
Engineering- Environmental	114	N/A	114
Engineering- Mechanical	739	82	821
Engineering Systems	N/A	32	32
Environmental Science & Engineering	N/A	112	112
Hydrology	N/A	2	2
Nuclear Engineering	N/A	0	0
Geology & Geological Engineering	159	145	304
Geophysics	77	84	161
Liberal Arts & International Studies	N/A	19	19
Materials Science	N/A	63	63
Mathematical & Computer Science	245	62	307
Metallurgical & Materials Engineering	119	82	201
Mining Engineering	93	25	118
Petroleum Engineering	461	74	535
Physics	228	68	296
Undecided	324	N/A	324
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3710</b>	<b>1220</b>	<b>4930</b>

## Enrollment for Fall 2010:

**Undergraduate students:** 3,710

**Graduate students:** 1,220

**68% Colorado residents**

**26% Female/ 74% Male**

**11% International Students**

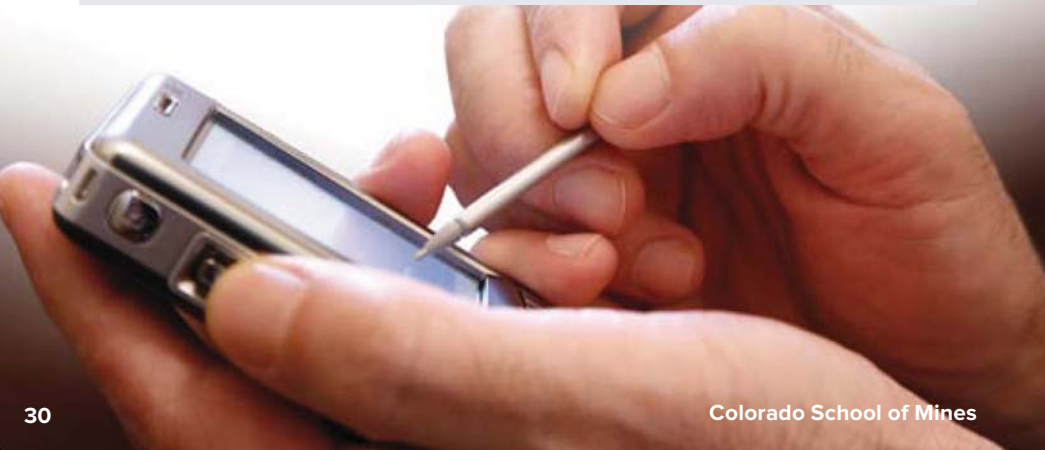


# 2011-2012 Academic Calendar

FALL SEMESTER 2011		
AUG.	19	Residence Halls Open (8:00am)
	20-22	New Student Orientation (required)
	23	Classes Start
SEPT.	5	Labor Day: Classes in Session
	7	Census Day: Last day to register, add or drop courses without a W
	9/30-10/1	Homecoming
OCT.	17-18	Fall Break (no classes)
NOV.	4-6	Parents & Family Weekend
	14-18	Registration for Spring Term
	24-27	Thanksgiving Break
DEC.	2	Last day to withdraw from a course (new freshmen & transfers)
	8	Classes End
	9	Dead Day (no academic activities)
	10, 12-15	Final Exams
	16	Commencement
	16	Residence Halls Close (12:00 noon): Students are required to move out within 24 hours after their last final exam
12/19 - 1/10 Winter Break		
SPRING SEMESTER 2012		
JAN.	8	Residence Halls Open (12:00 noon)
	11	Classes Start
	17	Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday: Classes in session
	26	Census Day: Last day to register, add or drop courses without a W
FEB.	20	President's Day: No classes
MAR.	12-16	Spring Break
	29-31	E-Days
APR.	9-13	Registration for Fall, Summer and Field Sessions
	27	Last day to withdraw from a course (new freshmen & transfers)
MAY	3	Classes End
	4	Dead Day (no academic activities)
	5, 7-10	Final Exams
	11	Commencement
	11	Residence Halls Close (12:00 noon): Students are required to move out within 24 hours after their last final exam

# Websites & Phone Numbers

DEPARTMENT	WEBSITE	PHONE NUMBER
Academic Services	<a href="http://academicsservices.mines.edu">http://academicsservices.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3377
Accounts Receivable (student accounts)	<a href="http://inside.mines.edu/Accounts_Receivable-Cashiering">http://inside.mines.edu/Accounts_Receivable-Cashiering</a>	(303) 273-3158
Admissions	<a href="http://mines.edu/Admissions">http://mines.edu/Admissions</a>	(303) 273-3220
Athletics	<a href="http://www.csmorediggers.com">www.csmorediggers.com</a>	(303) 273-3360
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Campus Computing, Communications & Info Technologies	<a href="http://ccit.mines.edu">http://ccit.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3430
Career Center	<a href="http://careers.mines.edu">http://careers.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3233
Counseling Office	<a href="http://counseling.mines.edu">http://counseling.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3377
Disability Services	<a href="http://disabilities.mines.edu">http://disabilities.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3377
Financial Aid	<a href="http://finaid.mines.edu">http://finaid.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3220
Health Center	<a href="http://healthcenter.mines.edu">http://healthcenter.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3381
Housing	<a href="http://inside.mines.edu/Student_Housing">http://inside.mines.edu/Student_Housing</a>	(303) 273-3350
International Programs	<a href="http://oip.mines.edu">http://oip.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-2121
International Student & Scholar Services	<a href="http://inside.mines.edu/international-student-information">http://inside.mines.edu/international-student-information</a>	(303) 273-3210
Minority Engineering Program	<a href="http://mep.mines.edu">http://mep.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3286
Outdoor Recreation Center	<a href="http://recsports.mines.edu">http://recsports.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3184
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Public Safety	<a href="http://publicsafety.mines.edu">http://publicsafety.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3333
Registrar's Office	<a href="http://inside.mines.edu/registrars_office">http://inside.mines.edu/registrars_office</a>	(303) 273-3200
Student Activities Office	<a href="http://studentactivities.mines.edu">http://studentactivities.mines.edu</a>	(303) 273-3234
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