Nepal: Geoscience in the Himalaya

Conduct Earth science fieldwork in the spectacular setting of the Nepal Himalaya.

Following an orientation in Kathmandu, students spend approximately six weeks conducting Earth science fieldwork in the High Himalaya and Middle Hills regions of central and western Nepal.

Coursework covers traditional geoscience field skill development (geologic history, structural geology, stratigraphy, geomorphology, and mapping) and geohazard analysis and solutions in the context of Nepali society.

Students develop Earth science field skills as applied to understanding both the geological history and ongoing interactions between humans and Earth systems. Students learn to "read" the rocks and use maps and satellite images to better understand past and present Earth processes.

In addition to SIT faculty, program lecturers and resources are drawn from Tribhuvan University, the National Society for Earthquake Technology, and the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development.

Nepal's dramatic geological contrasts—from the flat Ganges River plain near sea level to the highest point on Earth—make it a preeminent place to study geoscience.

At a Glance

Credits: 9
Duration: 7 weeks (mid-June to early August)
Accommodations: Guest houses, small hostels (tea houses), and dormitory-style housing during excursions

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