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End of season 2006 institute staff, faculty and participants at C-30, Atlin, on Aug. 21. Twelve others departed earlier from Juneau.

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A student research project to monitor supraglacial stream hydrology on Vaughan Lewis Glacier near Camp 19. (M. M. Miller photo)

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“Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature’s peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop away from you like the leaves of Autumn” John Muir, Naturalist



JIRP remote research camp, Gilkey Glacier Trench.

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EXPEDITIONARY FIELD TRAINING WITH RESEARCH PARTICIPATION AND 9-WEEK SEMESTER CREDITS IN

ARCTIC AND MOUNTAIN SCIENCES

53rd to 55th Field Seasons in Earth Systems Science  
Emphasizing Glaciological, Alpine and Arctic Environments and related Geoscience Studies and Research

June 28 - August 23 in 2010 and 2011 — Juneau Icefield, Alaska and in Atlin Wilderness Park, B.C.-Yukon, Canada

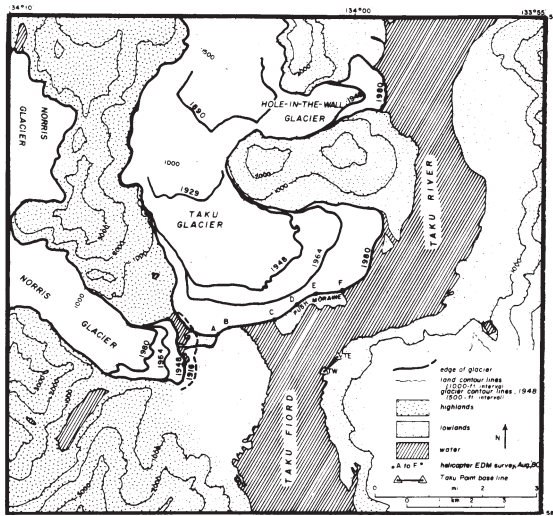
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Juneau Icefield Panorama ©2009 by Eric Knight, in collaboration with UAS, USFS and The Banff Centre. Data provided by NASA, USGS, GeoBase, and the Global Land Cover Facility.





Advancing Taku and Hole-in-the-Wall Glaciers and receding Norris Glacier, 1890 to 2007.

PURPOSE

“We shall not cease from exploration and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time.” –T.S. Eliot

The Juneau Icefield Research Program (JIRP) was organized in 1946 to pursue long-term field research on interrelationships of the scientific disciplines necessary to understand the total environment of arctic and mountain regions. A key emphasis is research on the global glacier-climate problem. Stemming from this, the Summer Institute of Glaciological and Arctic Sciences was organized in 1959 to provide combined academic and field training at the graduate and undergraduate levels, and as well for selected secondary school science teachers. The aim is total systems experience for polar and mountain scientists and training in the field sciences.

Participants observe and study sub-aerial processes in a dynamic region of existing glaciers and rugged mountain terrain. The goal is to appreciate inter-science investigations not only in pristine wilderness regions but assessments of environmental problems even in rural and urban areas. The program enlarges effectiveness of school science teachers and university professors. Increased emphasis is given to global climate change issues.

Students also attend lectures at field sites, participate in demonstrations with instruments, and take and record scientific measurements as part of long-range research from high-elevation and continental periglacial areas to low-level temperate maritime regions. A special understanding is gained of glacio-climatological, glacio-geological and glacio-ecological relationships. Because the activities strongly stress research involvement, participants gain irreplaceable field work experience.

DATES

The JIRP Program will be conducted from June 28 to August 23. Additional field activity may be arranged for qualified students interested in participation in JIRP and allied regional research projects or for those desiring further field work or thesis research.

THE PROGRAM

“Nature without learning is a blind thing — and learning without Nature is an imperfect thing.” –Plutarch

The program theme is earth systems science via expeditionary experience and research participation, with relevent demonstrations and lectures. Interdisciplinary emphasis is on field geology, geophysics, atmospheric sciences, arctic ecology, glaciology, field hydrology, applications geomorphology, surveying and resource planning. These topics are coordinated through the faculty and experienced staff members.

Up to 9 academic credits can be arranged through the environmental science program at the University of Alaska.



View across the Taku Glacier toward Taku Towers



Dr. Maynard Miller conducts a geology lecture overlooking Gilkey



A scientist performs a kite-borne aerial photographic mapping survey of the Camp 18 area

Subsidiary topics considered as part of the Earth Systems Science program include: Environmental Geosciences; Terrestrial and Glacial Photogrammetry; GPS Surveys and Mapping; Structural Glaciology; Arctic Geobotany; Lichenometry; Tundra Ecology; Periglacial Geomorphology; Pleistocene Stratigraphy; Continuum Mechanics; Radiation Meteorology; Mountain Climatology; Glacio-hydrology; Exploration Geophysics; and relevant aspects of Mineral Prospecting; Remote Sensing and Geological Mapping.

Through field instruction, the offerings take advantage of a classical glacial, periglacial and alpine and arctic environment.

The courses may be provided under aegis of the University of Alaska. All credits are transferable to other institutions.

Lectures, field studies and problem sessions are held on adjunct topics. The offerings are concurrent during a concentrated, 9-week session on the Juneau Icefield, emphasizing Neoglacial conditions. Participants in the general courses are exposed to all offerings. The initial two weeks are devoted to coastal geology field trips, field methods, and exploratory research, plus intensive safety and survival training at Camp 17. Two to six weeks may be used for work on a field problem, dependent on the participant’s aim, interest and abilities. The last week is concentrated in the Atlin area where glaciated terrain provides opportunities for study of Cordilleran Pleistocene chronology and Holocene periglacial environments. For those wishing to ally the program with a thesis project or equivalent independent study, including post-doctoral research, field problems can be developed.

PARTICIPANTSHIPS AND AWARDS

Although most students attend on the fee-paying base, some field scholarships are available for undergraduate students, depending on what student category pertains at the time of the summer session. NASA provides some undergraduate student support on a competitive basis. A limited number of awards are also available to outstanding junior and senior high school students. Special scholarships for graduate students and secondary school science teachers are supported by the Foundation for Glacier and Environmental Research (FGER), and the Rotary Club of Juneau, AK. Other sources of applicant support are available, for which students can apply. With appreciation, since 1962, this program has received over 90 grants from NASA and the National Science Foundation for undergraduate and graduate student support.

Research assistantships in ongoing programs are offered to outstanding previous participants. Post-doctoral application is also encouraged. Participation of minorities and females is actively sought. The basic fee is \$4,800 for the 9-week session, with an additional \$1,200 in real cost per participant subsidized by FGER. Participants cover travel expenses to Juneau, Alaska and return home from Atlin, B.C., via Juneau.

LOCATION

The main glacierized area lies on the Juneau Icefield in the Tongass National Forest and the Atlin Provincial Wilderness Park in the Alaska-Canada Boundary Range between Juneau, Alaska and Atlin, B.C. Attention is also given to the Lemon Creek Glacier sector on the icefield’s southwestern periphery and to the Cathedral Massif Glacier in the Atlin Lake area to the north. Here arrays of Wisconsinan deglaciation and periglacial features are especially abundant.

The icefield is a unique location for studying the effects of global climate change on an entire glacial system. This system lies between the continental high pressure cell and the low pressure cell in the Gulf of Alaska. This boundary is effected by changing climate and those changes are recorded in the glaciers of the Juneau Icefield.

FACILITIES AND LOGISTICS

Nine main stations and 17 lesser camp facilities are located in the field. Permanent metal-sheathed and well-insulated wooden buildings exist at the main field sites. Temporary shelters and tents are used at trail camps. A 7000-volume library containing pertinent research materials, maps, satellite imagery, aerial photos and other basic references is maintained at the main base camp, with smaller libraries at other field stations, as well as a comprehensive geosciences research library at the Atlin base. A wide range of field and laboratory equipment for geophysical, glaciological, surveying, photogrammetric, botanical, meteorological, and geological work is available for teaching and research. JIRP scientific databases are also on the internet.

Communication between camps and with the Juneau and Atlin bases is handled by radio. Helicopters and charter aircraft are used for supply transportation, with logistic ground transport carried out by oversnow vehicles. Participants travel on the icefield by using cross-country skis.

Permanent field installations are provided by **The Foundation for Glacier and Environmental Research, Seattle, WA and Juneau, AK.** The Alaska headquarters office is: **FGER, P.O. Box 20298, , Juneau, Alaska, 99802-0298, telephone (907)-209-2787**

ELIGIBILITY

Participants must be enrolled in or admitted for work as candidates for a college or university degree. Exceptions are made when students are between programs in a long-term academic plan. High scholastic record or potential is expected. Weight is placed on personal character, strong interest, and professional motivation. High school students with university plans can also be included. Some experience in mountain and outdoor living is expected.

The University of Alaska and The Foundation for Glacier and Environmental Research do not discriminate on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, or national origin.

APPLICATION

A completed application form will include an up-to-date transcript, evidence of school or university status, a statement of professional goals, a physician’s medical certification, and three letters of recommendation regarding scholarship, character and compatibility. The JIRP application form can be downloaded at [www.juneauicefield.com](http://www.juneauicefield.com). The completed application package should be sent to: JIRP / 4616 25th Avenue NE / Suite 302 / Seattle, WA 98105.



Student conducts GPS Glacier Participants traverse a crevasse velocity survey on Hades Highway zone on the Llewellyn Glacier