College of Arts & Sciences

The College of Arts & Sciences at Shawnee State University includes the Vern Riffe Center for the Arts, five academic departments, 34 baccalaureate degree programs, 30 minors, and five associate degree programs. The College also includes a Master of Mathematical Sciences degree.

We invite you to explore opportunities available through our diverse areas of study.

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Geology at Shawnee State University

Shawnee State designed its geology program with a core curriculum (closely modeled after the American Institute of Professional Geologists’ recommendations) which is enhanced through elective courses, field experiences, and research opportunities. This balance maintains a unique, field-oriented curriculum of which few programs of similar size can boast.

At Shawnee State, faculty get to know our geology majors as individuals, and are able to mentor them—be it with regard to coursework, research opportunities, or career guidance—throughout their college careers.

A degree in geology from Shawnee State University prepares you for a career in earth science, environmental science, or entry into graduate programs in geology or environmental science.

How We Stand Out:

- Two full time, broadly trained faculty members with Ph.D’s in Geology.
- Upper-division classes are small, with class sizes typically around 10 students.
- SSU’s location allows us to incorporate field-based instruction into most of our courses.
- Frequent field trips and extended field courses so that students get first-hand exposure to Geology outside our immediate region.
- Opportunities for undergraduates to engage in ongoing research programs.
- An active geology club that invites speakers to campus, gets involved in our community, and organizes social activities.
- Graduates are well prepared for Graduate School, and find employment in industry, government, and education.
- A teaching licensure option is available with our BS Natural Sciences degree.