

ALUMNI BLOCK BREAK

Mountains and Glacier Lakes of the Canadian Rockies



TIGER TRAVEL

A Hiking and Geological Adventure with Professor Emeritus Eric Leonard

September 18-22, 2027

Tiger alumni, family, and friends are invited to discover the remarkable geology and breathtaking scenery of Banff and Yoho National Parks while spending four nights in the mountain town of Banff. Led by Geology professor Eric Leonard and an expert local guide, this program features three days of hikes through glacier-carved canyons, turquoise alpine lakes, alpine valleys, and past waterfalls, with engaging discussions on the geology, glaciation, ecology, and natural history of the Canadian Rockies. Each day offers a choice of an easy or more challenging hike, allowing everyone to enjoy the region at a comfortable pace before returning to our welcoming, 4-star mountain lodge.

Banff National Park
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For questions, and to reserve your space, contact Eos Study Tours: 800-856-8951 or tigertravel@studytours.org



Colorado College Faculty Leader

Eric Leonard is Professor Emeritus of Geology at Colorado College and an expert on the geology of the Canadian Rocky Mountains. He grew up in San Francisco and cultivated his love of the out-of-doors on trips to the coast, the redwood forests, and the Sierra Nevada. Eric studied at Cal-Berkeley (BA-History), Simon Fraser University in British Columbia (MA-Geography), and CU-Boulder (PhD-Geological Sciences). He was a member of the faculty of the Colorado College Geology Department for 38 years, where he taught courses in Geology, Environmental Science, and Southwest Studies before retiring in 2019. Eric's academic career has focused on glaciation, climate change, and recent tectonics (mountain building and continental evolution) throughout the western U.S. and Canada as well as in Iceland, Scotland, Norway, Chile, and New Zealand. His PhD research involved three summers of field work in Banff Park, and he has continued to do research work there through the years. Eric even met his wife, Lisa, in Banff!



Emerald Lake

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(B)=Breakfast, (L)=Lunch, (R)=Reception, (D)=Dinner

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAYS AND AIRPORT TRANSFERS

ARRIVAL DAY:

Saturday, September 18, 2027: Fly to Calgary and Transfer to Banff

Arrive independently at Calgary International Airport (YYC) and transfer to Banff via one of several convenient airport shuttle services.* This evening, meet Professor Eric Leonard and our local guide at a welcome reception in our lodge's lounge, followed by dinner in the adjacent Evergreen Restaurant.

Four nights at the 4-star [Royal Canadian Lodge](#). (R,D)

DEPARTURE DAY:

Wednesday, September 22, 2027: Fly home

After a buffet breakfast, choose your conveniently timed shuttle* back to Calgary International Airport (YYC) for your flights home. (B)

***Shuttle arrangements and fares** are the responsibility of each traveler. For airport shuttle services between Calgary International Airport and Banff, visit [Discover Banff Tours Airport Shuttles](#).

WHAT TO EXPECT

This active program features three days of guided hiking in Banff and Yoho National Parks. Each day, choose between two hiking options: an easier route with gentle terrain and moderate distances, or a longer, more strenuous hike with greater elevation gain. Participants should be in good physical condition and comfortable walking on uneven terrain. All participants will be required to follow safety/sanitization protocols set forth by Sponsors/Operator, local staff, and local authorities. Any participant showing signs of illness will be asked to wear a mask while in close proximity to others. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Lunches will be packed and eaten picnic-style, at appropriate points during hikes. Our Lodge has been chosen for its excellent location and generous comfort. Average daytime temperatures during our visit typically range from the low to mid-50s F, with cooler conditions at higher elevations. **Weather in the Canadian Rockies can change quickly and it is recommended that participants bring layers. Rain is always a possibility, so participants should come prepared with appropriate clothing and footwear.** *Complete pre-departure details will be sent to participants.*



PLEASE NOTE:

Daily group hiking options and the optional gondola excursion must be selected in advance to ensure availability for those who wish to participate.

Menus for included lunches and dinners will be prearranged. Entrée selections will be requested from travelers before departure.

HIKING DAYS AND DESCRIPTIONS

Sunday, September 19:

GEOHIKE 1: JOHNSTON CANYON

After breakfast, we drive 45 minutes to Johnston Canyon for our first day of hiking. We will enjoy a picnic lunch during the hike before returning to Banff. The remainder of the afternoon and dinner are at leisure.

Those who wish may take an optional Banff Gondola ride to the summit of Sulphur Mountain (additional fee, approximately \$70 per person). Enjoy panoramic views, scenic boardwalks, hiking trails, an interpretive center, and two mountaintop restaurants—an excellent option for those who wish to stay for dinner with spectacular mountain views. Return to Banff at your leisure via the complimentary shuttle for gondola ticket holders. (B, picnic L)

HIKING OPTIONS:

Each group will follow one of Banff National Park's most celebrated trails through Johnston Canyon to the spectacular Upper Falls. Well-maintained paths and catwalks cling to the canyon walls, crossing crystal-clear streams and passing dramatic limestone cliffs carved by thousands of years of rushing water. At the Upper Falls, water plunges nearly 100 feet into the narrow canyon below. Group 2 continues to the Ink Pots, colorful spring-fed pools in an alpine meadow beyond the canyon.

GROUP 1: Upper Falls (Easy to Moderate):

2–2.5 hours • 3–3.5 miles • 800–900 feet elevation gain

GROUP 2: Upper Falls and Ink Pots (Moderate):

4+ hours • 7–7.5 miles • 1,000–1,100 feet elevation gain

Monday, September 20:

GEOHIKE 2: BOW LAKE

with stops at Lake Louise and Moraine Lake

After breakfast, travel the spectacular Icefields Parkway with brief stops at Lake Louise and Moraine Lake before arriving at Bow Lake, one of Banff National Park's most beautiful alpine settings. At 6,300 feet, this brilliant turquoise glacial lake is fed by the Bow Glacier and framed by the peaks of the Waputik Range. Enjoy views of Crowfoot Mountain and Glacier, the Wapta Icefield, Bow Glacier, and Mount Jimmy Simpson rising above the lake. On calm days, the vivid blue-green water reflects the surrounding mountains. After the hikes, both groups return to our lodge. Dinner is on your own this evening. (B, picnic L)

HIKING OPTIONS:

GROUP 1: Lakeshore Walk (Easy):

Enjoy a relaxed **2.2-mile walk**, for approximately *one hour* along the shores of Bow Lake, retracing your route while taking in ever-changing views of the surrounding glaciers and mountain peaks. Afterward, enjoy a leisurely picnic lunch before returning to our lodge. Picnic tables and a café are available near the parking area.

GROUP 2: Bow Glacier Falls Hike (Moderate to Strenuous):

Follow the shoreline of Bow Lake on a rewarding **5.6-mile out-and-back hike**, taking *3 to 5 hours* (depending on pace), through a scenic glacial valley before climbing more than 500 feet to Bow Glacier Falls, where meltwater from the Wapta Icefield forms the headwaters of the Bow River. Enjoy a picnic lunch while admiring panoramic lake views, a dramatic canyon, and close-up views of the falls and glacier.

Tuesday, September 21:

GEOHIKE 3: EMERALD LAKE

with stops at Takakkaw Falls and Natural Bridge

After breakfast, we depart for Yoho National Park. Our first stop is Natural Bridge, where the Kicking Horse River has carved a natural rock bridge through limestone, demonstrating the erosive force of glacial meltwater. We continue to Takakkaw Falls, one of Canada's highest waterfalls, where water plunges nearly 1,000 feet into the Yoho Valley.

We then arrive at Emerald Lake (elevation 4,400 feet), renowned for its brilliant turquoise-green water created by fine glacial silt ("rock flour") suspended in the lake. Surrounded by the peaks of the President Range, the lake occupies a spectacular glacial basin. The landscape also offers views toward glaciers and the Burgess Shale fossil area, making it a rewarding destination for geology and paleontology enthusiasts. Tonight, we will enjoy our farewell dinner hosted by Eric Leonard and share highlights of our hikes. (B, picnic L, D)

HIKING OPTIONS:

GROUP 1: Emerald Lake Loop (Easy):

Enjoy a leisurely, **3.2-mile loop** around Emerald Lake with minimal elevation gain. This approximately *2-hour hike* follows the lakeshore, offering ever-changing views of the lake's brilliant turquoise waters, the surrounding President Range, and forested shoreline. Enjoy a picnic lunch before returning to Banff.

GROUP 2: Emerald Basin Hike (Moderate to Strenuous):

Set out on a rewarding, *4-hour*, approximately **6-mile, out-and-back hike** with about 1,000 feet of elevation gain. The trail climbs through forest and alpine meadows into Emerald Basin, where towering peaks and hanging glaciers create a spectacular mountain setting. Enjoy a picnic lunch at a scenic spot before returning to Banff.



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BLOCK BREAK PRICE Per Person (4 nights)

Double Occupancy (12 to 20 participants) \$3,795

Single Supplement \$1,045

Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required (limited availability).

With fewer than 12 participants, a small group surcharge may be added.

Price Includes:

- Colorado College faculty leader Eric Leonard and services of an excursion guide/driver
- Four nights' accommodations at the [Royal Canadian Lodge](#)
- Breakfast daily, three picnic-style lunches, and two dinners
- Choice of daily hiking excursions
- Surface transportation by air-conditioned vehicles, with filtered water provided
- All gratuities to lodge staff and excursion guide/driver
- Comprehensive pre-departure information and packing list

Flights and Transfers

Round-trip airfare between home and Calgary International Airport (YYC) is not included. Participants will arrange arrival and departure airport transfers independently. A shuttle service through [Discover Banff Tours](#) is recommended, and the estimated cost is \$60 per person, one way. More information will be sent to confirmed participants. Your flight itinerary from/to home must be provided to Eos Study Tours' office prior to the tour departure. Eos Study Tours will advise when you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets, please contact our office first. Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. can assist with flight arrangements for this tour. You may contact them directly at 866-200-6172 or email studytours@vwti.com. Alternatively, you are welcome to book your flights independently or through your preferred travel agent. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

Price Does Not Include: Airfare from/to home; passport and visa fees; arrival and departure airport transfers; all airport fees and departure taxes; cost of personal, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; transportation of excess baggage; personal tips; items of a personal nature, such as laundry, medical expenses, taxi, telephone, and fax charges; meals and alcoholic or other beverages (except as noted); deviations from scheduled tour; other items not listed as included.

Payments: Payment in full is required to reserve your space on the tour and is payable by check. Credit cards are accepted, but are subject to a processing fee. Checks should be made out to "Eos Study Tours" with "COL-Banff 9/27" written on the memo line. By submitting your payment, you are bound by the terms and conditions delineated throughout this brochure or elsewhere published.

Participant Cancellation Fees: All requests by participants for cancellations must be received in writing by Eos Study Tours. The following cancellation terms will apply based on when the cancellation is received:

- On or before March 22, 2027: Payment is refunded less a cancellation fee of \$250 per person.
- March 23 – May 22, 2027: Payment is refunded less a cancellation fee of \$1,500 per person.
- May 23 – June 19, 2027: Cancellation fee equal to 50% of the tour cost.
- On or after June 20, 2027: No refund.

For this and other reasons, participants are strongly encouraged to purchase trip cancellation insurance. Information will be provided with confirmation of receipt of your payment.

Note: Prices, leader, accommodation, and itinerary are subject to change. Prices quoted are based on group participation and no refunds will be made for any part of the program in which you choose not to participate. It is understood that refunds cannot be made to participants who do not complete the tour for whatever reason.

Prices are based on tariffs and exchange rates in effect at the time of publication and are subject to change prior to departure. Substantial changes in tariffs, exchange rates, the price of fuel, services, and labor may increase the cost of arrangements significantly, and we reserve the right to alter our prices.

Due to space limitations, this is abbreviated information. Complete terms and conditions are available upon confirmation or upon request.

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The 4-star [Royal Canadian Lodge](#) is located on Banff Avenue, within walking distance of downtown Banff's shops and restaurants. The lodge features comfortable guestrooms, the Evergreen Restaurant & Lounge, and a fitness and spa area with an indoor mineral pool, hot tub, and steam room, providing a convenient base for our days of hiking.



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To fill out an online reservation form, [click here](#). Or, print and mail or fax this form to the address below.



RESERVATION FORM
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To hold your reservation for seven days while this form and your deposit are in the mail, please contact us at (800) 856-8951 or tigertravel@studytours.org.

Participant Name 1 _____ Colorado College Class of: _____
(as it appears on passport)

Participant Name 2 _____ Colorado College Class of: _____
(as it appears on passport)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ Phone (cell) _____

Email(s) _____ | _____

☐ I/We have read the 'What to Expect' section and am/are physically able to participate fully in the program.

Are you traveling with any other parties on this program? Yes, _____

How did you hear about this tour? ☐ eNewsletter ☐ mailing ☐ website ☐ friends/family ☐ other _____

ACCOMMODATIONS:
(Accommodation preferences are not guaranteed.)

☐ Double (one bed) ☐ Twin (two beds) ☐ Single

☐ I will be sharing with: _____ ☐ Share - please assign a roommate (not guaranteed).
☐ Please share my contact information with potential roommate(s).

RESERVATIONS and PAYMENT:

Payment in full is required to reserve your space on the tour and can be paid by check.
Credit cards may be used for payment but are subject to a processing fee. All prices and payments are in U.S. dollars.

PAYMENT TYPE (PLEASE CHECK ONE):

☐ Check payable to **Eos Study Tours** with "COL-Banff 9/27" on the memo line.
☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ Already paid by phone

CC# _____

Exp. Date _____ 3- or 4-Digit Code _____

Name on Card _____

Please complete this reservation form, choose/enclose your method of deposit, and sign the release statement below.
Submit via email, mail, or fax to:



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By signing this form, you are acknowledging that you have read and agree to all Terms and Conditions delineated throughout.

Signature (participant #1) _____ Date _____

Signature (participant #2) _____ Date _____

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