Your Mines experience is about to begin! Many of you have already participated in Launch, and lots of you will be joining us soon for Oredigger Camp. We can't wait to show you why summer in the Rocky Mountains is hard to beat and get you started on your Mines journey. At camp, you'll have the opportunity to start forging connections with your new classmates, peer mentors, faculty and staff. Wondering what to bring for camp? Check out the Camp FAQs section of the Oredigger Camp webpage for more information as you prepare, and be sure to watch your email for more details.

While you're busy getting ready for camp, don't forget to add "find your rock" to your to-do list! If you haven't already found the perfect rock for the legendary M Climb, don't worry, you still have time. Not familiar with this Mines activity? It's one of the first traditions you'll experience as an Oredigger. Watch the video below to learn more about our favorite Mines traditions.

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**Spotlight on Mines - Meet President Johnson**

Meet our President, Dr. Paul C. Johnson, affectionately known on campus as PCJ. Dr. Johnson is the 17th President of Colorado School of Mines, and his career reflects his strong passion for innovation, education and student success. Be sure to look for him at upcoming campus events!

[Read more about President Johnson](#) or [follow him on Twitter](#).
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Applicant Portal | July 16 - **Deadline to Apply for the Balanced Man Scholarship**
Canvas Learning Management Platform | July 31 - **Financial Aid Requirements Due, Apply for Loans in Order to Allow Ample Time for Processing, Deadline to Apply for FIRST Fellowship**
Computer Recommendations | August 15 - **Move In Begins**
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Reminders from Admissions

**Tuition Classification Form** - Completion and submission of the Tuition Classification Form, found on your **Applicant Portal**, is required for all incoming students. If you are under 23 years of age, your parent/legal guardian must assist you with completing this form. If you have any questions about this requirement, please contact us.

**Mines.edu Email Account** - Please start checking your **Mines email account** regularly. Many departments will only communicate with you via this account, so we don't want you to miss any important updates. Your Trailhead account must be activated to access this email address.

**Update Your Email Address** - If you are currently using a high school or college email address that will be terminated, please ensure that we have your most up-to-date email address on record. To inform us of an update, please email admissions@mines.edu with your CWID and new email address.

**Final, Official High School and/or College Transcripts** - If you haven't already, please request your final, official high school and/or college transcripts and have them sent directly from your institution via the following methods:

1. Electronically through Common App, Parchment or Naviance (preferred method), OR
2. Postal Mail: Colorado School of Mines - Office of Admissions, 1812 Illinois Street, Golden, CO 80401

Transcripts that are hand-delivered or not directly sent to us from the institution are considered unofficial and you will need to have them redelivered via one of the methods above.
Transfer Credit - Are you planning to transfer college credit into Mines? Transfer credit evaluations are available via Trailhead under Degree Works. Transferrable courses will appear in Degree Works within two weeks of receipt of official transcripts by Mines. Courses and credit can only be evaluated using official college transcripts (unofficial transcripts are not sufficient). If you have not already done so, please request an official transcript from all colleges attended to be sent to Colorado School of Mines Office of Admissions.

Photo/Multimedia Release Form - The Mines Photo/Multimedia Model Release Form is on your Applicant Portal checklist. Please complete this form before arriving on campus in August (it takes just a few minutes to read, indicate your preference and sign).

Oredigger Checklist - Make sure you're checking the boxes each month for a successful and smooth transition to campus! The checklist is available in your Applicant Portal and will continue to be available throughout the summer.

Online Resources -

- **Incoming Oredigger Webpage**: You will find a bunch of resources on our incoming Oredigger webpage, such as what to do to prepare for arrival in Golden, getting around campus and town, computer recommendations and more. Please visit this page regularly.
- **Incoming Parent & Families Webpage**: You will find all the resources you need to contribute to your student’s success on our incoming parent and families webpage. Here you will find links to the Applicant Portal, tuition payment options, links to student support services on campus and so much more!
- **Join the Conversation**: If you haven't already joined, active conversations are happening in our Mines Class of 2026 Discord group (for students) and #Mines2026 Parents, Families & Guardians Facebook group.
- **Follow Us**: Learn more about life at Mines by following us on our social channels.
- **Interested in receiving texts from us?** Text "Opt-In" to (720) 575-2949.

*If you are no longer interested in attending Mines, please let us know by emailing admissions@mines.edu so we can update your record. Given high demand, we will be at capacity this year. Placing a deposit at Mines begins several internal processes to ensure a smooth transition for our incoming students, so it’s important for planning purposes to know who will be joining us in the fall. We will need every spot, so please help your fellow students out by letting us know your plans.*

Questions? Contact us by emailing admissions@mines.edu or calling (303) 384-2027. Our office is open Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Mountain Time).

**Important Updates From New Student and Transition Services (NeST)**

What if I missed Launch? This summer’s Launch sessions are wrapping up and registration is now closed. If you were unable to attend any of the sessions, please email Nick Dietrich so we can send you a link to a recorded Launch session.

Online Orientation Course - Even if you missed Launch, please complete our online orientation modules on our learning management platform, Canvas. Use your Mines Multipass credentials to log in and learn about academic majors, important reminders to complete and more. Your families and guests can access the course by visiting our Launch webpage. Please email NeST with any questions.

Oredigger Camp - At this time, Oredigger Camp registration is closed, and we’re excited to see those that registered very soon. If you have a reserved spot in one of the camp sessions, you should expect to hear more about your specific camp details, including schedules and packing lists, roughly two weeks before your camp
dates. If you registered for early arrival housing for camp 1 or 2, you will also receive more information around the same time. If you have any questions, please email NeST.

**Fall Kickoff** - Get ready for all the fun and excitement you will have the weekend before classes start! **Fall Kickoff** is your student-only on-campus orientation weekend. While an official schedule will be posted in late July, you can plan on events running from the evening of **Thursday, August 18 through Sunday, August 21.** Please make sure to bring your 10-pound rock from home for the **M Climb.** Plan to wear closed-toed shoes and clothes that can get wet and be covered in paint to the M Climb! At this time, we are still finalizing the details, but more information will be coming your way soon. Stay tuned!

**An Official Welcome to Mines - Convocation & Welcome BBQ**

At this time, Mines is planning for families and guests, in addition to new students, to attend **Convocation** on **Thursday, August 18 at 4:00 p.m. (Mountain Time),** followed by a free BBQ for new students and their guests. These are the only events for family and guests during Fall Kickoff, and the BBQ is traditionally where families say goodbye and depart campus.

**What:** Convocation is the official Mines welcome ceremony for all new students and your families/guests.  
**When:** Thursday, August 18 at 4:00 p.m., Doors open at 3:00 p.m. for families/guests. Incoming first-year and transfer students assemble on Stratton Commons at 3:15 p.m. to line up for a processional into Lockridge Arena.  
**Where:** Lockridge Arena (inside the Student Recreation Center)  
**Tickets:** There is no cost to attend, but tickets are required for guests. Please claim your free tickets for convocation here. Incoming students do not need a ticket. Tickets are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis for guests seated in Lockridge Arena. Until Lockridge Arena reaches capacity, up to two guest tickets per new Oredigger are available. Once seats for Lockridge Arena are sold out, additional guest tickets will be made available for the overflow viewing area in Bunker Auditorium.  
**Join Virtually:** A live stream will be available on the Mines YouTube channel.

**Welcome Barbecue**  
**What:** BBQ to welcome new students and your families/guests to Mines.  
**When:** Thursday, August 18, immediately following Convocation (around 5:00 p.m.)  
**Where:** Kafadar Commons, next to the CoorsTek Center for Applied Science and Engineering, under the big tent.  
**Tickets:** There is no cost to attend this event. To help us plan, please claim your free tickets for the BBQ here.

After the barbecue, families and guests are encouraged to say goodbye as the rest of the weekend is dedicated to orienting your student to our campus and community.

**Living on campus this fall? Residence Life eagerly awaits your arrival!**

By now, most new students have chosen their rooms in the residence halls. If you have not done so already, the next step is to use the Housing Portal (via your Trailhead account) to choose a meal plan and sign your housing contract for the upcoming academic year. **These two items must be completed as soon as possible.**
Move-In Date & Time - Coming Soon!

- Monday, August 15 - Move-in day for Signature Learning Community residents and all international students
- Thursday, August 18 - Move-in day for all other first-year students

You will receive an email letting you know about your move-in date and time. Please check the move-in webpage for more information. Please pay close attention to the date and time designated for your arrival on campus. You may arrive any time within the window specified for your particular floor/room. It takes about 30 minutes to move into your residence hall room, so arriving at the very beginning of your window is not necessary. In fact, you will have more help if you arrive a bit later in the window. We ask that you adhere to the provided move-in date and time, as failure to do so may impede other students and their helpers from doing so during their designated time slots. We all need to do our part to keep everyone safe and healthy and ensure this transition runs smoothly.

Make sure that you are checking your Mines email account daily. We send important information to this email address, and it will behoove you to get into the habit of checking this email throughout your time at Mines. We cannot wait to welcome you to your new home in August!

Don't forget your BlasterCard! Your Official Mines ID

The BlasterCard is the official identification card for the Colorado School of Mines and your key to accessing life on campus. It is the policy of Mines that each on-campus student possesses a valid BlasterCard. The BlasterCard is a multi-function ID card and is needed to access dining service venues, assigned residence halls, assigned academic buildings, library services and the student recreation center.

If you need your first card, please visit myphoto.mines.edu/myphoto and follow the instructions for the online process, or you can visit us at the Student Life Services Office located in the Student Center, E140.

If you need a replacement card, stop by the Student Life Services Office or send an email to blastercard@mines.edu

To learn more about the BlasterCard and its functions please visit the Blastercard webpage.

RTD Transportation Passes - All registered students are eligible to receive an RTD Transportation pass. This pass allows you to make free use of all RTD transportation services. This pass can be requested after the ID process is complete and you have received your BlasterCard. To request an RTD Pass email blastercard@mines.edu.
**Do you want to work on campus?**
Stop by the Student Assistants Job and Resource Fair on **Tuesday, August 23, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the Student Center Grand Ballroom to chat with campus departments and learn about job openings.

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**Reminders from the Office of Financial Aid**

**Sign Up for the Financial Aid Newsletter** - After August 1, all primary communication from Financial Aid will be sent to your Mines email account. Parents, guardians and family members are strongly encouraged to subscribe to our newsletter to stay up-to-date on important deadlines and information.

**Complete Financial Aid Requirements** - Be sure you have reviewed any outstanding financial aid requirements in Trailhead. Once in Trailhead, click on the Financial Aid tab, then Requirements (light blue box) and 2022-2023 to ensure you have turned in all financial aid documentation. You can also securely upload required documents in the same place. Financial aid will pay out in August if all requirements are complete.

**Proxy Has Come to Trailhead** - Another way to stay up to date on what is happening is for you to give Proxy access to your parents/guardians. This allows you to designate read-only access for student account information, financial aid requirements, grades, schedule and more. Visit our Proxy Access webpage for more information.

**Student Loan Information** - Information about the loan completion process was emailed to your Mines email address a couple of weeks ago. To receive a federal loan, you must accept the award on Trailhead and complete both the online Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note (MPN). For more information, visit the undergraduate student loans webpage. Please note: we begin processing 2022-2023 loans in July.

**Parent/Guardian Loan Information** - Information about the parent loan process was emailed to students a couple of weeks ago. Parents/Guardians who would like to borrow a parent PLUS loan need to complete the online PLUS application at studentaid.gov. After completing the application, then complete an online Master Promissory Note (MPN). In the loan application, specify either an amount for the loan or choose “maximum loan amount” for the request to be processed by Mines - we will not choose an amount for you. The loan period for fall/spring is August 2022 through May 2023. The maximum amount of the loan is equal to the student’s total cost of attendance minus all other aid. Once a parent PLUS loan has been approved and certified by Mines, students will see the accepted loan on their award overview in Trailhead. For more information, visit the parent loans webpage. Please note: we begin processing 2022-2023 loans in July.

**Report Outside Scholarships** - If you are receiving scholarships from a source outside of Mines, you must report the scholarship to the Office of Financial Aid. Report outside scholarships here. Scholarship checks should be made payable to Colorado School of Mines. Please include your CWID on the check for timely processing. Mail checks to: Colorado School of Mines - Office of Financial Aid 1301 19th Street Golden, CO 80401

**Income Changes and the FAFSA** - If your income has changed significantly, please visit our Contribution Review webpage. Do not adjust your FAFSA! Adjustments to the FAFSA can only be made by the Office of Financial Aid.

**ROTC at Mines** - If you plan to attend Army or Air Force ROTC at Mines, let us know! Our ROTC University Liaison would love to hear from you. You will also need to let them know if you have received an ROTC scholarship (length and type). Please email ROTC@mines.edu so we can be ready for you to attend in the fall.

**Have Financial Aid Questions?** We are available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Mountain Time) to help. Please include your CWID in all correspondence. We are available via email at finaid@mines.edu, phone at (303) 273-3301 or you can request a Zoom appointment.
Billing Reminders from the Bursar’s Office

**Payment Plan** - The fall 2022 payment plan is open for enrollment! You can enroll in the payment plan by logging into the “My Account Page” in [Trailhead](#). Parents can sign up on behalf of your student in the [Authorized User Portal](#) by using the username and password assigned to them by the student. The last installment for the fall 2022 payment plan is October 12, 2022. The number of installments is determined by the date you enroll in the plan, so if you’d like the option to have more installments and spread your payments out, be sure to sign up early.

Please note:

- There is a $35 non-refundable enrollment fee for the payment plan. Each student/parent is limited to one payment plan per semester.
- Enrollment in auto-pay is required. Electronic check payments do not incur a transaction fee. All card payments are subject to a non-refundable 2.75% convenience fee. Each installment is due on the 12th of the month.
- The fall 2022 balance has not yet been released. Currently, students and families can enroll in the payment plan for any amount. However, after the tuition due date of September 8, payment plans will automatically be adjusted to reflect the true balance.

**Authorized User Access** - The Authorized User Account is not the same as Proxy Access. These two systems provide different access to student information and require separate login credentials. Students can grant access to authorized users to view your financial account information via [Trailhead](#). Navigate to the “My Account Page” and then click on “My Account.” Scroll to the “Payers” section to add an authorized user. The Authorized User Portal will provide access to make payments, view billing and tax statements, enroll in payment plans and more.

**Sponsored Student** - Do you have a third party paying for your tuition and fees (excluding family members and scholarships)? If so, please complete the [Sponsored Student Agreement Form](#) and submit it to the Bursar’s Office by emailing bursar@mines.edu.

For questions, additional information or for help estimating your balance, please contact bursar@mines.edu or (303) 273-3158.

Enroll or Waive Coverage - Student Health Insurance Plan

Mines requires all students to have adequate health insurance as a condition of enrollment. The [Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)](#) enrollment and waiver period opens on July 15, 2022. SHIP has fantastic benefits such as a $0 deductible, free virtual care through [AcademicLiveCare](#) and a $2,000 out-of-pocket limit. Coverage is through Blue Cross and Blue Shield, utilizing the nationwide Anthem PPO network. All students are charged for the SHIP, but those students with approved waivers will see the waiver credit. For more information, including rates and how to submit a waiver, visit the SHIP website. Visit [csm.myahpcare.com](#) to make your annual selection by Wednesday, September 7. Questions? Please email [ship@mines.edu](mailto:ship@mines.edu).
**Application Deadline Approaching - Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship**

Sigma Phi Epsilon hosts a Balanced Man Scholarship each year. This scholarship is for male-identifying and non-binary people who will be attending Mines for the first time in the fall of 2022. Sigma Phi Epsilon values people who have taken on leadership roles and have demonstrated academic, spiritual and physical achievement. Interest in fraternity life is not required to apply. Applying to this scholarship is in no way related to the process of joining the fraternity or a commitment to join. We look forward to reviewing applications from those who lead well-rounded lives and wish to continue living a balanced life throughout their time at Mines. **Apply by July 16, 2022.**

This year, the scholarship is being awarded in memory of our late brother, Gregory “Greg” Troy Miller, who was taken from us on May 18, 2021. Greg was an incredible brother and true friend. He joined the fraternity his first semester at Mines and found success in the brotherhood, where he served diligently as Vice President of Finance and set the chapter up for future successes and triumphs. He aided the fraternity by spearheading multiple projects with passion and communication. He was a pillar of the fraternity and a perfect example of the values for which we stand.

Gregory “Greg” Troy Miller

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**Participate in Undergraduate Research – First-Year Innovation and Research Scholar Training**

Start your academic career at Mines with undergraduate research! The [First-Year Innovation and Research Scholar Training (FIRST) Fellowship](#) is a yearlong fellowship offering highly motivated first-year students the opportunity to train for and participate in original research experiences. FIRST recipients are offered up to $1,000 to compensate for their time and work in the lab.

**Applications are now open and close July 31, 2022.** Apply today!

**How does FIRST work?**

During the fall semester:

- Students are required to attend a weekly one-credit course that introduces them to academic research and provides the tools needed to navigate the complex landscape of research. This course is approximately one hour per week. The available times for the seminar for fall 2022 are Mondays 9:00 -
9:50 a.m. or Tuesdays 9:00 - 9:50 a.m. If you are unable to attend either of these times, we still recommend you apply, as many students are able to adjust their schedules to accommodate the course.

- Students work to identify a faculty or graduate mentor. Students work with their mentor to identify a research topic, formulate a hypothesis and identify research objectives by the end of the semester.

In the spring semester:

- Students participate in regular, faculty-mentored research.
- Students conclude their fellowship by presenting their research at the Undergraduate Research Symposium hosted at the end of April.

At the conclusion of the spring semester, selected students may receive funding to continue working with the faculty mentor and participate in an innovation workshop.

Please email the Office of Undergraduate Research with any questions.

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**Action Required for ROTC Students - Department of Military Science**

Incoming Army and Air Force ROTC students, please email ROTC@mines.edu and let us know you are planning to attend the 100-level ROTC classes. We need to be sure you are on the ROTC rosters before fall semester classes begin, and your email to ROTC@mines.edu is our way of verifying your status.

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**Welcome to the Oredigger Community! See Where Welcome Party Events Are Happening**

Before you pack your bags and head to campus, we hope you'll mark your calendar and plan to join us for a welcome party near you this summer! These events are hosted by our alumni M Club leaders and friends in many cities throughout the country, bringing together incoming students and their families, current students and local alumni to celebrate the Oredigger spirit before a new academic year begins. It’s a great way to get connected and meet others in your area who are headed to Golden in August.

Visit the Welcome Parties webpage to see where events are happening. Check back throughout the summer, too — new cities continue to be added, or you can offer to host a party in your city!

Mines alums and current students look forward to welcoming you to the Oredigger community. Go Orediggers!

**Questions?** Contact Ruth Jones at rujones@mines.edu or (303) 358-1270.
What is a disability? Disability Support Services

Disability Support Services (DSS) is committed to providing equal access to university courses, programs and activities for students with a disability.

What is a disability? The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines disability as a “physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.” The ADA regulations include both visible and invisible impairments, such as physical and physiological impairments, mental and psychological disorders, intellectual disabilities and specific learning disabilities among many others.

If you are a student with a disability in need of accommodations, the next step is to register with DSS. Please register with DSS by completing our online application. Registration involves submitting a short online application, uploading documentation from your doctor and meeting with a DSS staff member for an intake meeting. While you can register and request accommodations with DSS at any time, early submission helps to facilitate the coordination of accommodations by the start of the semester.

Please visit the DSS website for additional information, or contact us at disabilitysupport@mines.edu or (303) 384-2270.

Reminder - Immunization Records Were Due June 15

If you have not already done so, please send the required immunization information via the Mines Health Portal (it’s a bubble on your Trailhead main page) as soon as possible. Access complete details regarding the immunization requirements and a “how-to” guide for submitting records. Proof of all immunizations must be uploaded to the Health Portal so they may be verified. If you are currently under age 18, please have your parent/guardian complete the forms for you.

For more information about the required immunizations, please visit the immunization requirements webpage.

If you are under age 18 as of the first day of classes in August, please have your parent/guardian complete and sign the Consent to Treat Minor form, found in the “Forms” tab on the Health Portal. Please upload your form to the Health Portal after completion.

We communicate by secure email to your Mines account. Please watch for important information and reply promptly. You may also access our messages through the Health Portal in Trailhead.

Questions? Call the Student Health Center at (303) 273-3381. We are happy to help.

Our Librarians Are Here To Help – Arthur Lakes Library

Need help finding an authoritative source? Book a Librarian at the Arthur Lakes Library! They can help you find
and evaluate sources, understand research data management, develop research strategies and so much more. These meetings can be done virtually or in person, whatever is more convenient for you.

Come early or stay late. Arthur Lakes Library is open from 7:00 a.m. – Midnight most days.

Find A Mentor - Join the Oredigger Network

Forming a network of peers, faculty, staff or alumni helps ease the transition to college. Whether you’re seeking the best hiking trail off-campus, information on classes or minors to shape your thinking and college career, or learning to live independently, there’s no better resource than someone in the know. That’s why we’re inviting you to join the Oredigger Network! At a time when you may have lots of questions and could use a helpful guide, we’re pulling students and business leaders, recruiters and alumni, faculty and staff together to support you. Registration for the Oredigger Network opens on August 22, 2022.

What is the Oredigger Network?

- A rare-access online community where Mines alumni, faculty and staff, as well as business professionals, student leaders and others volunteer to individually mentor Mines students.
- For Orediggers, by Orediggers. This network is built and supported by contributions from members of the Mines community. All Mines community members are invited to participate.
- A resource for today and tomorrow. Students* are matched with a mentor who can answer your questions, get to know you and offer advice and guidance on everything from navigating roommate dynamics to internship how-tos. Once inside the network, you’ll also have access to more resources, alumni in industry, recruiters and your Oredigger peers.

Three reasons to join:

1. **Grow your network with ease.** The Oredigger Network is a virtual community matching students, alumni, faculty and staff with peers, industry professionals and others — all via one-to-one virtual meet-ups.
2. **Orediggers helping Orediggers.** By joining the Oredigger Network, you’ll get insider knowledge from experienced Orediggers, faculty or staff — and the inside scoop to help you make a successful transition to Mines. It’s the leg-up you’ve been looking for.
3. **It’s a proven way to improve your career prospects (today and into the future).** Knowing someone inside an industry or organization, or with connections within an organization, dramatically improves the likelihood of landing an interview for an internship.

This is an opportunity you won’t want to miss! You will receive a direct invitation to join later this month. In the meantime, visit the Mines Mentoring website to learn more.

*Students under the age of 18 require a parent or guardian to consent to the program’s terms and conditions. To get an early start on the consent process, email Kelly Knechtel.
Spotlight on Summer Field Session - Department of Mining Engineering

Summer semester ushers in a wave of opportunity and experience for Mines undergraduates embarking on their signature field sessions. Sarah Lizarraga, Outreach and Recruiting Coordinator for the Earth and Resources programs, had the pleasure of joining some Department of Mining Engineering students and their instructors on their field trips to various mines and quarries around Colorado. What followed was a few days of dust, excitement and a newfound respect for the young minds at Mines. Sarah met up with the mining group at the Walstrom Quarry, which is located just off the intersection of I-70 and Highway 6 near Idaho Springs, a place millions of people a year drive past on their way into the Rocky Mountains.

According to Sarah, "being at the quarry, it became apparent how deeply connected the Mining department is with real industry partners – the lead tour guide for our group was the president of the company that operates the Walstrom Quarry, Al Frie Jr. After introductions and a safety briefing, we loaded up in our trucks and started on our tour. The quarry was as loud as it was impressive. Even more impressive was seeing the mining students in their element. The enthusiasm was contagious, even as a small mountain drizzle followed us around the site. I could tell these field session trips were building confidence in their knowledge and ability as engineers. It is one thing to be taught something in an academic environment, another to see it in practice and our students were getting the benefit of both. Exposure to the working environment and industry professionals is so important to the development of high-caliber graduates."

Mines has been ranked as the #1 Mining program in the world since 2016. Mining is essential for everyone - everything in our built world is made from metals or minerals. Solving our biggest challenges, such as reducing global warming, requires metals and minerals to produce renewable energy. Today, mining is one of the highest tech industries with great jobs and opportunities for advancement. Visit the Department of Mining Engineering website to learn more.

Watch for Required Training - Office of Title IX & Equity

At Mines, we believe in the importance of creating a safe and healthy environment for all of our community members. To that end, we have partnered with EVERFI to provide online training that helps us all be informed on topics vital to achieving our goal. All new Orediggers will receive an invitation for two required online courses in their Mines email this month. You will create an account and sign in using your Mines email address to access the training. These courses are mandatory and automatic reminders are sent weekly until the courses are completed. Be sure to complete them promptly.

Questions? Please email responsibleorediggers@mines.edu.
Family & Friends Weekend will be here before we know it!
The annual Family & Friends Weekend, hosted by the Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership (SAIL) office, starts Friday, October 21. Join various campus departments, student clubs and organizations, and more as we show you what it means to be an Oredigger. Visit the Family & Friends Weekend webpage for more information, and stay up-to-date on the latest information by joining our mailing list.

What does it mean to be in a sorority or fraternity at Mines?
Mines Panhellenic & Inter-Fraternity Council are firmly dedicated to leadership and personal growth. Developing leaders today for life after college is an important pillar of the Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL) community. Our goal is to help our members become the best version of themselves. Chapters allow members to gain leadership experience through council positions, chapter leadership conferences and skill training seminars. If you are interested in gaining valuable leadership experience through the FSL community, please talk to our representatives at Launch and other Mines events or visit the FSL webpage for more information.

Sorority Recruitment Registration is now open!
Visit mines.mycampusdirector2.com to sign up for free and make sure to follow us on Instagram.

You're Invited - Society of Women Engineers Welcome BBQ
The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) annual Welcome BBQ is happening on Saturday, August 27, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., sponsored by Xcel Energy. Come and join us on Kafadar Commons and the CoorsTek atrium and patio. There is no cost to attend. We'll have fun games, raffles and a delicious BBQ. Plus, it is a great time to start networking with some amazing Xcel Energy engineers, staff, SWE members and fellow incoming students. Reserve your spot today!
SWE’s mission is to create an environment where women can achieve their full potential as engineers and leaders, expand the image of the engineering profession as a positive force in improving quality of life and demonstrate the importance of diversity. To join the Colorado School of Mines SWE section, please first join as a national member. To do this, go to the SWE website and click on “Join SWE Today!” From there, you can create an account. Don’t forget to select Colorado School of Mines as your institution to join the Mines SWE section. Collegiate membership costs $20 annually or $50 through the Collegiate to Career (C2C) option, which is active for your entire collegiate career plus the first year of your professional career.

Have you considered teaching? Teach@Mines
Did you know? Teachers in the United States rate their lives better than all other occupation groups, trailing only physicians. The Teach@Mines program offers courses, advising and certification pathways to help you explore the teaching profession. In addition, Teach@Mines offers a minor in teaching and a Bachelor of Science in engineering with a STEM teaching focus area to prepare students for teaching careers at any level, from elementary to university-level instruction. Watch the video below to learn more about one women’s decision to go into STEM education.

Please email Wendy (wkadams@mines.edu), Allie (ambolter@mines.edu) or David (davidmay@mines.edu) if you are interested in learning more about the Teach@Mines program.

Did you know Mines offers two Theatre classes every semester? It’s true!
Professor Joseph Bearss has been teaching (in rotation) Theatre Production, Voice and Movement, Improvisation and Acting for the past four years and has become an integral part of the Music and Performing Arts Program at Mines.
Locution, public speaking and acting through realism are the focus of the more performative classes, with students gaining the confidence and exposure to present to a large audience. The Theater Production course takes students on a journey from choosing a script and creating a company with all technical roles assigned. The class ends with several one-act plays in the Performing Arts Studio on campus. Lights, sound, costumes, scenery and of course, acting are all covered in this offering.

Mines Little Theatre, a theater club on campus, performs "Legally Blonde" as the April 2022 musical.

Please email Professor Bearss or Professor Cullison if you have any questions about upcoming classes being offered through the Music and Performing Arts Program.

Want to see even more Mines? Check out the Mines episode of The College Tour, available on Amazon Prime Video.

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