



OUTDOOR CAMPUS

— RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA —

APRIL PROGRAMS

Entomology

The Outdoor Campus is excited to host Hans Stephenson with Dakota Angler and Outfitter. This presentation will focus on insect identification, their seasonal availability, life cycle and how to tie up a handful of our local aquatic insects. We will be providing a fly-tying supply list for the needed materials, and he will have some tying vises on hand for hands on tying instruction. Food trucks will be on site for your personal purchase while you enjoy this excellent seminar.

April 3 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Lady's Archery

Learn the basic techniques of archery, parts of a bow, range safety and how to safely shoot different bows. Class is held in our indoor climate-controlled range for year-round comfort. Ages 8 and up, everyone must be registered, and youth must be accompanied by an adult. Ladies only

April 5, 10:00 – 11:30 PM

Fly Tying

Come learn the basics of fly tying and the tying equipment. We will be learning a great beginners fly pattern for year-round success right here in the Black Hills. No equipment or supplies needed. Ages 10 and up, youth need to be accompanied by a parent.

April 8, 5:30 – 7:00 PM

Intro to Shotguns

Learn how to safely handle and shoot a shotgun at the Rapid City Trap Club. Shotgun shooting is a great way to spend time with your family while developing safe firearms competency. Ages 12 and up.

April 9 5:30-7:30 PM

April 23 5:30-7:30 PM

Gun Cleaning

Learn how to properly clean a gun. No materials needed. April 29 6-7:00 PM

Intro to Fishing

Learn how to cast, tie knots, ID different local species and learn techniques to catch fish followed by fishing in our Outdoor Campus pond. All gear will be provided. Hats, eye protection and sunscreen are encouraged. Ages 6 and up, children must be accompanied by an adult.

April 12, 9:00 – 11:00 PM

Intro to Archery

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April 15 6:00-7:30 PM

April 29 6:00-7:30 PM

Fly Casting

Learn the gear and techniques needed to catch fish on a fly rod.

April 16 6:00-7:30

Intro to backpacking and ultralight fishing

Learn how to prep a pack for a several days trek, with the added bonus of catching your dinner ultra-light style. We will walk you through the process of fishing on the go, using a collapsible fishing pole, while presenting all the necessary safety procedures.

April 17 6-7:30 PM

Canning Deer Meat and Quesadillas

Learn to can deer meat and enjoy making quesadillas out of the high quality tender meat

April 22 6:00-7:30 PM

Paddling

Learn techniques to safely paddle canoes and kayaks on our Campus Pond. Lifejackets will be available. Must be 10 or older to participate and youth must be accompanied by an adult.

April 26, 10:00 – 12:00PM

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MAY PROGRAMS

Spinning Rod Building

In this class we will be building custom spinning rods for your summer fishing plans. We will meet multiple times to complete this project. There is no cost to you and the rods are yours to keep in the end. You must be able to attend all 3 dates to register for this event. Ages 16+, youth must be accompanied by an adult.

May 1,2,3 6:00-8:00 PM

Intro to Archery

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May 5 6:00-7:30 PM

May 16 6:00-7:30 PM

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May 6th 6:00-7:30 PM

May 20th 6:00-7:30 PM

Intro to Shotguns

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May 7 5:30-7:30 PM

May 21 5:30-7:30 PM

Fly Tying

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May 9 5:30-7:00 PM

Paddling

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May 10 10:00 – 11:30 PM

Backpacking

If you are interested in learning the basics to take your camping trips to the next level, this class is for you. This class will cover all the basic gear you need to consider when going out on a backpacking trip Ages 8 and up.

May 17 10:00-12:00 PM

Canyon Lake Waterfowl ID

Join us at canyon lake with your set of optics to identify all the waterfowl hanging out on the lake.

May 22 6:00-7:00 PM

Fly Casting

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May 27 6:00-7:30 PM

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MAY PROGRAMS

2025 Hunt Planner

Join us learn how to apply or buy a SD big game hunting license. We will show you how to navigate our website and a couple tips on how to be more successful in the draws.

May 28th 6:00-7:30 PM

Catch-it-Clean-it-Cook-it

Learn how to use fishing equipment to catch a fish in our front pond. Then learn how to clean your catch and cook it! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult.

May 27 6:00-7:30 PM

Opening Day Archery and Food Trucks

You're invited to "Opening Day" of summer hours here at the Campus on Saturday May 31st. Come join the Outdoor Campus team for a day of archery and food trucks! We will have our 3D animal targets on our walk-through course and stationary field, along with intro to archery instruction with shooting at our indoor archery range (no equipment needed). Our Campus archery community is vibrant and welcoming, so come enjoy a day of food trucks and flinging arrows!

May 31 10:00-1:00 PM

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JUNE PROGRAMS

Backcountry Hunting and Fishing

Not all hunting and fishing opportunities exist within a short walk from the vehicle. Getting into the backcountry can get you away from the crowds and into some amazing country. Learn how to prepare for your next backcountry hunting and fishing trip.

June 3 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Intro to Hunting

If you are new to hunting and want to learn what it's all about to get a start into the hunting world this class is a great start. We will go hunting as a management tool, opportunities in SD and some discussion to get you going in the field.

June 5 6:00-7:30 PM

Intro to Fishing

Learn how to cast, tie knots, ID different local species and learn techniques to catch fish followed by fishing in our Outdoor Campus pond. All gear will be provided. Hats, eye protection and sunscreen are encouraged. Ages 6 and up.

June 7 10:30-12:00 PM

June 24 6:00-8:00 PM

Intro to Archery

Learn the basic techniques you need to get involved in the sport of archery. Participants will learn the parts of a bow, range safety and how to safely shoot a compound bow. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Close toed shoes are required. Ages 8 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

June 10 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Intro to Shotguns

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June 11 6:00–8:00 PM

CSP 3D Archery Shoot

Join us for 50+ targets at center lake for this years campus 3D archery shoot. Preregistration helpful not required.

June 14 8:00-5:00 PM

June 15 8:00-12:00 PM

Paddling

Learn techniques to safely paddle canoes and kayaks on our Campus Pond. Lifejackets will be available. Must be 10 or older to participate and youth must be accompanied by an adult.

June 18 6:00 – 8:00 PM

June 23 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Fly Casting

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June 19 6:00 – 7:30 PM

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Family Animal and Fish Identification

Come learn all about the different species above ground and under the water that live here in SD.

June 20 10:30-12:00

Fly Tying

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June 21 10:30-12:00 PM

Intro to Firearms

The Outdoor Campus will teach you the operating components of different firearms and the fundamentals of safety. Class includes handling our inert safety guns. Youth must be accompanied by an adult, for ages 10 and up.

June 25 6:00 - 8:00 PM

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June 26 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Making Wild Game Brats and Sausage

One way to utilize a lot of your wild game from last fall is to make brats and sausage. We will go through a variety of recipes and strategies of making some great brats and sausage that you can enjoy for the entire year.

June 26 6:00-8:00 PM

On Location Kayak Fishing

Meet us for this destination fishing event. All equipment will be provided (or bring your own) along with advice on how to catch fish and use specific equipment. Participants must have taken an Intro to Paddling class to participate. June 27 6:00-8:00 PM

Dutch Oven Tacos

Learn how cook with and care for cast iron Dutch ovens. You will be making food, so come hungry! Closed-toed shoes are required for safety. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. We will be making tacos with some of South Dakota wonderful Wild game.

June 28 10:30-12:00 PM

Range Day: Rifle and Centerfire Rifle Shooting at Fall River Gun Club

we will spend time at the rifle range getting comfortable handling firearms safely and learning how to shoot .22's and centerfire rifles

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