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CSPG Student Industry Field Trip (SIFT)

The Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists (CSPG), is pleased to announce that the 2016 Student Industry Field Trip (SIFT) will be held from **Sunday May 1 to Saturday May 14, 2016**. Since 1977, the CSPG has invited geology students from universities across Canada to participate in the SIFT program based in Calgary, Alberta. The program is designed to provide an introduction to the oil and gas industry and establish links between industry and universities. Since its inception, SIFT has evolved from a simple four-day field trip, to a full two week program that also involves lectures and seminars, a guided tour around the World UNESCO Heritage site of Dinosaur Provincial Park, visits to the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) core repository (the largest in the world!) and a petroleum game (dealing with real data and real wells) to test and reward the candidates.

The Department of Geoscience Undergrad Committee is seeking candidates that satisfy the following criteria established by the CSPG:

SIFT is intended for undergraduate students –graduate students should not apply.

The student must be or become a CSPG student member for the year they apply to attend SIFT. This can easily be done on the CSPG website and is **free of charge for students**.

The student must be majoring in geology, earth science, or geoscience. Preference will be given to geologists, although students in related fields (i.e. geological engineers, geophysicists) may apply.

At a minimum, the student must have completed the 2nd year in their program by May 2016, as they will be needing knowledge from those courses to get the most out of the program. **Note that 3rd year students are the most preferred and will receive preference over 4th year students.**

Ideally the student should demonstrate an interest in some or all of sedimentology, stratigraphy, and structural geology and their relationship to petroleum geology.

Obviously the student must be available for the duration of the trip (i.e. no other commitments prior to May 14, 2016, such as field school or job placements (or given flexibility during the job placement).

Finally, last but not least the student must be considered to be an excellent representative of your university and of the CSPG as they will be making valuable connections with industry professionals and peers alike.

The CSPG's SIFT Committee will select one (1) student from 2-4 applicants selected and submitted by the Department's Undergrad Committee. Applicants should submit the following:

- a brief resume of their academic and work experience/interests.
- a cover letter to accompany the resume that describes why they would like to participate in SIFT 2016 and what they feel they can gain from the trip (no more than one page).
- a current academic transcript (official transcripts are not necessary – a clean copy will do) that indicates the student's post secondary course history and grades, including the latest Winter 2015 semester.

Please submit your nominations in digital form to Dr. Jennifer Cuthbertson (cuthberj@ucalgary.ca) no later than Friday, January 29.