

Please read over these frequently asked questions about the Summer Field Program at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory. If you have additional questions, please email sfp@usm.edu

< What times does my class meet?

A typical meeting pattern for an in-person class is every weekday 8:30-noon and 1:30-

4:00 for a lecture/lab day, but exact times and schedule will be communicated to you by your professor. Field trip days can meet earlier or later. Typical boat trips are 8:00am- 4:00pm and are weather dependent. Morning rainstorms can delay the start time of a trip, thus delaying the end time. Some classes take evening trips, night trips, or overnight trips so the meeting pattern may be highly variable. Class meeting patterns for online classes will be communicated by your professor.

< When will I be notified of acceptance into SFP?

As application materials are submitted and reviewed students will be notified of acceptance into the program on a rolling basis starting mid to late February. This means a student has met the minimum requirements to be admitted to USM and Summer Field Program.

< When will I be notified what courses I am accepted into?

A week or two after the early application deadline, about mid-April

< Why don't I get notified of my courses at the same time as receiving the program acceptance?

Program acceptance means you have met the minimum requirements to be admitted into USM and into the Summer Field Program. GCRL admissions staff must carefully review transcripts to ensure pre-requisites are met for specific courses before class assignments are determined.

< How many credit hours can I take?

In each session (June or July), students may take up to 6 credit hours of in-person coursework or 11 credit hours of online coursework.

< I have submitted my shot record/app fee/transcript but when I log into the application portal it is not showing as received

