Overnight Peak Hike
Want to explore the Adirondacks and catch amazing views? This is the class for you! Class time will cover the basics of navigation and trip planning. You will enjoy an overnight in the Adirondack Park followed by a rigorous peak hike. This is the perfect extra something to add to your semester! All meals are included for the duration of the trip. $35

Class 1: Wednesday September 13 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Overnight: Saturday Sept 16 at 9:00 am to Sunday Sept 17 at 1:00 pm

Backcountry Cooking
Ever wonder why everything tastes better in the outdoors? You will cook delicious food from ‘scratch’ and be on your way to becoming the next backcountry Iron Chef! Have four dinners with your class and learn how to please your belly with artfully crafted food in the wilderness. $25

Class 1: Wednesday September 13 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Class 2: Thursday September 21 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Class 3: Thursday September 28 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Backpacking
There are few experiences as satisfying as hiking into the woods with nothing but the pack on your back and being self-sufficient for multiple nights in the backcountry. You will have one class to develop your basic backcountry camp skills, one “shakedown” to walk through necessary gear, and one amazing weekend backpacking in our outdoor mecca, the Adirondacks. No previous experience needed. $35

Class 1: Tuesday September 19 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Shakedown: Thursday September 21 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Weekend Outing: Friday September 22 at 3:30 pm to Sunday September 24 at 6:30 pm

Stand Up Paddleboarding
Take a spin at the hottest new paddle sport around! Learn the basics of balance and momentum on local waterways. Guaranteed fun and a skill you definitely want to learn! $25

Class 1: Friday September 15 3:30 - 7:30 pm
Class 2: Friday September 22 3:30 - 7:30 pm
Class 3: Saturday September 23 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Intro to Whitewater Kayaking
Get your feet wet and enjoy the thrill of whitewater kayaking! You will progress from flat water to moving water to white water and will learn the basic strokes, river reading and safety, eddy turns, peel outs, ferries and can try your hand at the Eskimo roll. Guaranteed fun! $50

Class 1 (pool): Thursday September 21 6:30 - 9:00 pm
Class 2 (pool): Thursday September 28 6:45 - 9:00 pm
Weekend Outing*: Friday September 29 at 3:30 pm to Sunday October 1 at 7:00 pm
  • If the local rivers are running, we may do 2 local day trips instead of a weekend away
Outdoor Rock Climbing  
This introduction to rock climbing will get you well on your way to becoming the local super hero on the cliff. Develop a skill set of knots, rope handling and movement on vertical terrain. Learn the basics of safe climbing and hone your technique as you finesse your way up the wall! The first two classes at the climbing wall followed by a local outing. The rain date will only be used if too wet to climb on your outing day. $30

Class 1: Tuesday September 19 4:30 - 7:00 pm  
Class 2: Tuesday September 26 4:30 - 7:00 pm  
Outing: Saturday September 30 9:00 am - 6:00 pm  
*Rain Date: Sunday October 1 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Outdoor Bouldering (Overnight!)  
Bouldering gets you back to the roots of rock climbing with nothing but your climbing shoes and chalk to climb up the rock. VW bus to house sized boulders have been dropped off by the glaciers of ice ages past across the Adirondacks. While you climb, your friends keep you safe from below by spotting and moving large bouldering pads. In this course, we will learn the basics of climbing movement, spotting, reading the routes in Colgate’s own climbing gym before going outside to try our skills on the anorthosite rock of the Adirondacks. $40

Class 1: Thursday September 14 4:30 – 7:00 pm  
Class 2: Thursday September 21 4:30 – 7:00 pm  
Outing: Saturday September 23 at 9:00am - Sunday September 24 at 5:00pm

Canoe Camping  
Come and participate in the oldest method of water travel. This fun introduction to canoeing includes an evening class to prepare for your outing and a weekend canoe pack trip. You will learn basic strokes and camp craft in a beautiful local environment. No previous experience needed. $40

Class 1: Tuesday September 26 4:30 - 8:00 pm  
Class 2: Thursday September 28 4:30 - 6:30 pm  
Overnight: Friday Sept 29 at 2:00pm to Sunday Oct 1 at 7:00 pm

Fall Break trip

Lightweight Backpacking  
Want to hike unencumbered, yet self-sufficient? You will be enlightened in this class as you learn how little you really need to be comfortable in the wilderness. The preparatory classes will allow you to make your own alcohol cook stove and experiment with a variety of lightweight equipment. No previous experience needed. Course will be held during peak fall foliage! $150

Class 1: Tuesday September 26 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
Class 2: Tuesday October 3 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
Shakedown: Friday October 6 4:30 - 7:30 pm  
Outing: Saturday October 7 at 9:00 pm – Tuesday October 10 at 5:00 pm