

Earth Science Week 2019 Theme Announced: 'Geoscience Is for Everyone'

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Geoscience is for everyone. Geoscience is for you.

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – Aligned with ongoing efforts to enhance diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the sciences, the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is proud to announce the theme for Earth Science Week 2019: *Geoscience Is for Everyone*. The next Earth Science Week will be celebrated October 13-19, 2019.

This theme emphasizes both the inclusive potential and the importance of the geosciences in the lives of all people. The theme is meant to encourage individuals of all backgrounds, ages, and abilities to engage with the geosciences, whether that is as a geoscience professional, a hobbyist, or through civic engagement. Because each person has a role in the areas that geoscientists study—including Earth's resources, natural hazards, and understanding the wonder of our environment—geoscience truly is for everyone.

You can study geoscience no matter who, where, or how old you are. The *Geoscience Is for Everyone* theme offers an opportunity for people of all descriptions to explore studies and careers in geosciences, whether that be by traversing mountainsides, crunching data in a lab, attending a class, or stargazing from a bedroom window. Geoscience can be done anywhere—in the countryside, in the city, or somewhere else—because Earth systems are continually interacting everywhere on the planet. Earth Science Week offers learning opportunities for anyone, any age, anywhere.

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Reaching over 50 million people annually, AGI leads Earth Science Week in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each October, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers opportunities to discover the Earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth. Learn more at www.earthsciweek.org.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is a nonprofit federation of 52 scientific and professional associations that represents more than a quarter-million geoscientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides geoscientists with access to scholarly information, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and health of the environment.

AGI is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

The American Geosciences Institute represents and serves the geoscience community by providing collaborative leadership and information to connect Earth, science, and people.

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