TRIP DESCRIPTION:

On almost 90 miles of road, this bike tour will take us through the Gila Mountains of New Mexico. The tour will be van supported, so riders will only need to carry water and snacks. Starting in Silver City, we’ll climb to a ponderosa forest through Pinos Altos, a historic ghost town.

The next day, we’ll ride to the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument, where we can explore the cliff dwellings and soak in a hot spring. Sunday, we’ll have our longest ride yet, completing our loop and heading back to Tucson in the evening.

Along our trip, we’ll ride through forgotten towns and enjoy great views, all from the saddle of our bikes.

Due to the length of our ride, this trip is only suitable for participants in good physical condition. Participants may bring their own bike, or borrow one from Outdoor Adventures.

PROVIDED BY OUTDOOR ADVENTURES:

- Transportation (15-Passenger Van)
- Meals
- Entrance and camping fees
- Cooking and camping equipment
- Leadership and instruction

Trip cost does not include personal clothing and equipment or meals en route.

TRIP COST:  
Student: $195  
Non-Student: $230

PRE-TRIP MEETING: April 13  
SIGN-UP DEADLINE: April 13

REGISTER ONLINE AT: rec.arizona.edu/outdooradventures
BICYCLING EQUIPMENT:
- Properly fitted road bike (in good working condition)
- Cycling gloves (optional)
- ANSI or SNELL approved bicycle helmet
- Large fanny pack or small day pack, for carrying items
- 2 water bottles and cages and/or a hydration bladder (Must be able to carry 3 quarts or 128 oz. total).
- Outdoor Adventures can provide water bottles, but they DO NOT FIT into bicycle water bottle holders (they may be carried in a daypack.)

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING:
- Camp shoes
- Cycling Shoes (or tennis shoes)
- 1-2 Pairs padded cycling shorts (optional, but strongly recommended!)
- 2 Pair wool/polypropylene cycling socks
- Shorts
- Fleece/wool/synthetic jacket
- Warm hat
- Long pants – for camp
- Short sleeved shirt
- Long sleeved shirt for sun protection
- Rain jacket and pants
- Sunglasses
- Toiletry items (toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)
- Money for meals and snacks en route
- Sunscreen/ lip balm
- Camera (optional)
- *Headlamp or flashlight for camp
- *Sleeping Bag
- *Sleeping Pad
*May be borrowed from Outdoor Adventures at no additional cost.

ITINERARY:
Friday
1:30pm Meet at OA
5:00pm Arrive in Silver City
7:30pm Camp + Dinner

Saturday
10:00am Ride to Scorpion Campgrounds
1:30pm Tour Gila Cliff Dwelling NM
3:30pm Hike to Hot Springs
5:30pm Camp

Sunday
10:30pm Ride to San Lorenzo then Santa Clara
3:30pm Drive back to Tucson
7:00pm Arrive at OA, clean up and evaluations
8:00pm Head home

THE OUTDOOR ADVENTURES PROGRAM is designed to get members of the university community involved with the natural world through adventurous, human-powered activities. These activities include hiking, backpacking, mountaineering, canoeing, whitewater rafting, rock climbing, bicycle touring, cross-country skiing and caving. Each trip offers opportunities for activity skill development, personal development, social interaction, and safe and enjoyable recreation. Environmental awareness is emphasized throughout each trip.

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