FIELD COURSE

Geography of the American Southwest

When:  Maymester (May 11-30, 2015)
Instructor:  Dr. Robert Garza, physical geographer with extensive teaching experience at UTSA, SAC, and Houston area colleges and universities
Credit:  Earn 6 hours of upper division credit
Course:  GRG 3166  Physical and Cultural Geography of the American Southwest
Schedule:  May 11-15 (M-F) (8:00 a.m.-1:40 p.m.)
Classroom study of the American Southwest and preparation of travel log.
May 16-22 (Sat.-Fri.)  The field trip portion of the course (see below)
May 25-30 (M-Sat.)  Completion of course assignments.

Trip Destinations:  The field trip will include visits to the Judge Roy Bean’s Law West of the Pecos Historic Site, Pecos River Gorge, the Rio Grande Valley of New Mexico from El Paso to Taos, Albuquerque and Santa Fe areas, Taos Pueblo, the Rio Grande Gorge, Santo Domingo Pueblo, Bandelier National Monument, Tent of Rocks National Monument, and other natural and cultural sites.

Travel Expenses:  $390 plus food expenses.  Travel will be in rented vans.  We will be camping at KOA and other campgrounds.

Commentary:  This is considered a capstone course in geography, an opportunity to see how the principles of physical and cultural geography play out on a rich and historic landscape.  It is an intensive field experience that is unforgettable (just ask students who have taken the course!). THIS COURSE HAS LIMITED CAPACITY.

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