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For obvious reasons, volcanos and volcanic hazards will be highlighted in first-year Geography courses at Cariboo College this fall.

Two weeks of the semester will be devoted to the topic, followed by a four-day field trip to Mount Rainier and, if possible, up the Toutle River Valley to Mount St. Helens, according to Instructors J.E. Miller and Barry Weaver.

Miller, who has just returned from a reconnaissance visit to the eruption area, said the extent of the field trip will depend on safety and other conditions prevailing at Thanksgiving time.

Both Geography 111 and 112 will include the special material, such as theories and facts about volcanos, the hazards, the new volcanic landscape, and economic effects of the ash-fall.

Geography 111 emphasizes the relationship between environment and human behaviour as well as economic aspects of geography. Geography 112, which carries laboratory science credit, concentrates on the physical landscape, including its hazards.

Further information about the courses can be obtained from the instructors at 374-0123.

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