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## *Local Attractions:*

# Idaho Museum of Natural History

The Museum offers many events and activities for all ages.

There are 4 separate exhibits that are currently open:

- Ice Age Idaho - Explores the wonders of the large prehistoric animals that roamed the Snake River Plains and the Native Americans who hunted them with the atlatl and dart.
- Dinosaurs from the Mountain - Go back 100 million years ago to the lush forests of the Wayan Formation where armored plant-eaters, tiny mammals, fox crocodiles, Idaho's state dinosaur *Oryctodromeus*, and *Gigantoraptor* roamed.
- This Is Idaho - Explores the wild mosaic of mountains, rivers, and plains offering majestic beauty and scattered resources that shape all who live in Idaho
- Open Spaces: The Role of Land Trusts in Biodiversity Conservation - an exhibit created by the Sagebrush Steppe Land Trust to develop an awareness of the importance of land trusts and how they work to conserve biodiversity by protecting and connecting habitat on private and public lands in southeastern Idaho for generations to come.



The IMNH is also home to the [Idaho Virtualization Lab](#) that houses state-of-the-art technology for imaging, virtualization, and simulation of material items, landscapes, and life. As well as the [Idaho Virtual Museum](#), with full open-access to 3D models and images of a wide range of fossils, bones and cultural artifacts from our museum and other institutions across North America.

**Free admission for ISU students, faculty, and staff**

**Open during Fall Break (weekends, Tues & Weds)**

**Regularly open Tuesday through Sunday**

**[www.isu.edu/imnh](http://www.isu.edu/imnh)**

## Announcements & Opportunities

# Honors Study Abroad Opportunity Information Session

If you are interested in learning more about the Summer Study Abroad course, don't miss the last information session:

**Tuesday, November 18 | 12:00pm | BA 212**

The trip is scheduled for May 15-26, 2026,  
and will be part of an early six-week summer course.

**Internship  
Opportunities**



Idaho National Laboratory is seeking both graduate and undergraduate students pursuing STEM degrees to join our Science & Technology Internship Talent Pipeline. This immersive program offers hands-on, mission-driven research experiences that directly support INL's work in nuclear energy, national security, and critical infrastructure.

Students will collaborate with world-class scientists, engineers, and technical professionals on projects that span advanced reactors, cybersecurity, materials science, environmental science, and more. Undergraduate interns are expected to apply foundational knowledge from their academic programs and develop new technical skills.

Learn more about undergraduate opportunities at:

[https://inl.taleo.net/careersection/inl\\_intern/jobsearch.ftl](https://inl.taleo.net/careersection/inl_intern/jobsearch.ftl)

# Save The Date!!

## HONORS THESIS DEFENSE

### ANDREW CHRISTENSEN

*Effects on Different Directions of Load Application and Head Posture on the Strain Pattern of Upper Cervical Spine Segments*

**Monday, December 1st**

**3:00- 4:00 pm | REND 124**

## The Cats Out of the Bag!

Benny the Bengal revealed a new look at this past weekend's football game!

This game was the LAST home game of the season, and Benny wowed all of us by walking out with new stripes!

Along with this new look, Benny also now has his own Instagram Page!

[@itsbennythebengal](https://www.instagram.com/itsbennythebengal)

For ISU student and athletics updates, follow [@isuathletics](https://www.instagram.com/isuathletics) [@isustudents](https://www.instagram.com/isustudents) on Instagram!



HAPPY

# Thanksgiving



WE HOPE ALL YOU  
HONORS BENGALS  
HAVE A GREAT  
FALL BREAK!



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