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MISSOULA--

Eighty are expected to enroll Sunday in the special summer session at the University of Montana's Biological Station at Yellow Bay on Flathead Lake.

Summer session dates at Yellow Bay are June 22-Aug. 16. Enrollment is 1-4 p.m. Sunday.

College juniors who have completed necessary course prerequisites are eligible for admission. Courses are chosen from the biological station catalog distributed by the UM Biological Station through the University.

Courses offered fall into two main divisions, botany and zoology. Besides aquatic biology or the study of microscopic plants and animals and the chemistry of their aquatic environments, persons engaged in research may study ecology (plants and animals in relation to their environment), ornithology (birds), mammalogy (mammals), phycology (algae), mycology (fungi), systematic botany (higher plants), and limnology (fresh waters) and entomology (insects).

Emphasizing outdoors work and field trips, the lakeside laboratory cooperates with state and federal laboratories and scientists at nearby Glacier Park, the National Bison Range at Moiese, the Rocky Mountain Laboratory at Hamilton and the Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit at UM.

Investigators in all fields of natural history and biological research are encouraged to utilize the station's facilities. Biology teachers are invited to take advantage of those courses designed to fit their teaching needs.

All persons engaged in course work and research, including students and personnel, may choose to room and board on or off the Yellow Bay grounds.

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Students are allowed a maximum of 13 credit hours and a minimum load of six during the eight-week session. Six credit courses meet three consecutive weekdays.

Yellow Bay Station director is Dr. Richard A. Solberg, acting dean of the UM College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. A. R. Gaufin, professor of zoology at UM, is assistant station director and will direct scientific studies conducted by a number of graduate students.

According to Dr. Solberg, enrollment of summer session students has increased from about 50 to 85 since 1962, the year he became director. He said there are nine faculty members working at Yellow Bay during the regular summer quarter compared with seven in 1962.

The station, the nation's second oldest inland biological research station, began year-round operations last June, 69 years after its establishment. Dr. Solberg said the year-round studies will be a boon to aquatic biology and related sciences.

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