



## **Spring 2017 Trip Descriptions**

**\*\*All return times are approximate and depend on group pace, traffic, and weather. We do our best to return on time but sometimes things happen\*\***

### **Bikepacking Overnight C&O      Saturday & Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>** **Registration ends April 19<sup>th</sup>**

So what is bikepacking? Simply put, it's backpacking with a bike. Mason Outdoor Adventures has a small fleet of bikes that have been specially equipped to be able to hold enough gear for an ultralight overnight. Bags have been made to fit the frame, handlebars, and seats specifically for our bikepacking trips. Put everything you need into the bags on your bike, and pedal until you reach a campsite!

We provide the bikes and the helmets. You can bring your own bike but it will need to have a way to carry equipment such as racks and panniers, or your own bikepacking style setup. This will be an introductory trip on the C&O Canal to get folks accustomed to this style of ultralight bike touring.

**Cost:** \$45 for Mason students/faculty/staff; \$50 for non-Mason guests

**What to wear:** weather appropriate clothing that you can comfortably cycle in for several hours and sneakers

#### **What to bring:**

Small daypack you can ride with\*

ID

Lunch/snacks for the first day

Sunscreen

Rain jacket\* and any other layers you might need.

Headlamp or small flashlight\*

Plastic bowl and eating utensil\* (short Tupperware works well)

Toothbrush

Any minimal toiletries you may require (contact solution, etc)

Optional knife

\*These items are available to rent

**\*\*We will provide Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast & lunch, as well as group camping and sleeping equipment\*\***

**When/Where:** Meet at Skyline Fitness Center at 7:30am on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will go over equipment and pack up here and then drive out to the trail. We will spend the day riding and camp for the evening. We will finish the ride the following morning and return to campus in the early afternoon on Sunday.