The cost of the 2024 College is $1,850.00. To reserve a space in the college a $850.00 deposit is required. The remaining balance is due by August 01, 2024. Tuition can be made in one or two payments. The deposit is non-refundable but is good for two (2) years.

When the deposit is received, $40.00 will be taken out of the deposit for your membership to the Fur Takers of America. If the deposit is held over to the second year then an additional $40.00 will be owed for the membership.

Make reservations early, as the class generally fills to capacity. Those who register after the class is full will be prioritized for the following year. In the event of last minute cancellations, we will contact those on the “waiting list” for availability.

HOW DO I SIGN UP:

Fill out the Student Registration and send it with your tuition of $1,850.00 or deposit of $850 (non-refundable and good for 2 years) to:

Cristina M. Jones
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More than 1000 students have gone through this excellent program. This unique opportunity is the most advanced trapper training available. Biologists, Conservation Officers, fur trappers, hobby trappers, and Nuisance Control Trappers will agree.

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WHERE IS THE COLLEGE?

The college is held at YMCA Camp Potawotami, 7255 E 700 S, Wolcottville, Indiana 46795. Field exercises will take place at the Pigeon River Fish and Wildlife Area. To reserve a space in the college a $850 deposit, (non-refundable) good for 2 years, is required with the final payment due August 01, 2024. Tuition can be made in one or two payments.

WHAT COMES WITH THE COLLEGE

• 70 Contact hours, Certificate of Completion from Purdue University
• One copy of Trapping Rocky Mountain Furbearers
• Several trapping books
• FTA Certificate and Rating
• Networking with trappers and wildlife professionals from across the country
• Lure Samples
• College Graduate Patch

THE CURRICULUM

Classes run 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily, approximately eight hours are spent in the field and four hours in the classroom.

Field classes are small to ensure students receive one-on-one attention from instructors.

SOME OF THE TOPICS COVERED

- Professional trapping techniques
- Public perception of trapping
- Management and natural history of furbearers
- Population dynamics of furbearers
- Bait/lure application & uses
- Trap and snare placement/location in detail
- Using GPS technology
- Trapline problem solving
- Avoiding non-target species
- Fur handling and grading
- Wildlife diseases and human risk
- Trap repair and modification
- Building snares
- Dry-land & water sets

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