



GIA Lab Sessions

Gem Identification Lab Session
(Rescheduled from March)
June 6-10, 2016

Colored Stone Grading Lab Session
October 17-19, 2016

Pearl Grading Lab Session
October 20, 2016

Jewelers Mutual Insurance Co.
24 Jewelers Park Drive
Neenah, WI

Registration Form

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Tel. (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

Email (Required) _____

(Credit Card Information for Payment)

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date: _____

____ Master Card ____ Visa ____ Security Code _____

Signature _____

Fee:

____ **Gem Identification Lab Session-**
\$2050 for State Affiliate Members

\$2199 for Non-Members

____ **Colored Stone Grading Lab Session-**
\$1600 for State Affiliate Members

\$1750 for Non-Members

____ **Pearl Grading Lab Session-**
\$475

(Must be paid in full at this time and must accompany registration form. This fee is non-refundable after June 1, 2016)

Make check payable to:

Midwest Jewelers Association,

P. O. Box 1604, Madison, WI 53701-1604

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Introduction

The Midwest Jewelers Association is hosting three GIA Lab Sessions in 2016. The sessions are sponsored by Jewelers Mutual Insurance Co. in Neenah, WI where they will be held. Each session is limited to 15 participants.

The cost of each session includes tuition, books, gems, materials, and facilitators fees. You are responsible for your travel, hotel charges (if using), and all meals. Jewelers Mutual has an on-site cafeteria for breakfast and lunch items that are priced moderately, and there are many fine restaurants nearby.

The Gem Identification Session and Colored Stone Grading Lab Session are required for the GIA Graduate Gemologist diploma (along with the Diamond Grading Lab Session). Full payment is due with your application. The cost of the sessions are:

Gem Identification Lab Session:

State Affiliate Members: \$2050.00
Non-Members: \$2199.00

Colored Stone Grading Lab Session:

State Affiliate Members: \$1600.00
Non-Members: \$1750.00

Pearl Grading Lab Session: \$475.00

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Course Description

Gem Identification Lab Session

In this session, participants practice the same time-tested procedures and identification skills used by the GIA's renowned gemological experts. Tools used include a microscope, a refractometer with polarizing filter and a removable magnifying eyepiece, refractive index (RI)* liquid, a polariscope with an optic figure sphere, a dichroscope, a table model prism spectroscope, and hand held spectroscope, and a loupe. Participants use these instruments to practice identifying natural gemstones, imitation assembled stones, and synthetics. The facilitator demonstrates key tests and coaches you on quick, effective testing procedures.

Class duration: 5 days

Colored Stones Grading Lab Session

Through extensive hands-on practice using gemstones, you will explore grading the color, clarity and cut quality of a wide range of colored stones. Coursework includes the study of the GIA Colored stone Grading System; how to describe color by hue, tone and saturation; and how to judge gem quality factors. Topics also include the relationship between light and color and developing color memory.

Class duration: 3 days

Pearl Grading Lab Session

Discover how the world's foremost experts determine the quality of akoya, freshwater, South Sea, and Tahitian pearls. Explore GIA's 7 Pearl Value Factors™. Key topics include how to evaluate cultured pearls in order to promote the relationship between beauty, value, and quality in merchandise.

Class duration: 1 day

*Be sure to read the chemical safety disclosure in GIA's online Education Catalog.

Details

DATE: Gem Identification Lab Session
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TIME: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and
2 p.m. to 5 p.m. daily

PLACE:

Jewelers Mutual Insurance Co
24 Jewelers Park Drive Neenah, WI
www.jewelersmutual.com

For directions to JM, click on the "About Us" tab

*Parking is available at Jewelers Mutual

*Hotel charges, travel and all meal expenses are on your own.

HOTEL INFO:

Best Western Bridgewood Resort
1000 Cameron Way
Neenah, WI (located next door to Jewelers Mutual)
Phone: 920.720.8000 or 800.514.5206
www.bridgewoodresorthotel.com

*The Bridgewood Resort offers a complimentary breakfast.

Rate: \$91 single/double
(You must make your own room reservation and you are responsible for your own hotel charges. The room block is under the Midwest Jewelers Association.)