

PEEC offers seven ecologically diverse trails which vary in distance and difficulty. All trails are loops that begin and end on the PEEC campus. Interpretive trail guides are available at the main building. PEEC staff members are available for additional trail advice.

Fossil Trail: Estimate 1 hour to enjoy this 1.03 mile trail. The trail is blazed in **blue** and begins with the Tumbling Waters Trail 30 yards up the campus road across from the Group Lodges. The trail takes hikers past a vernal pool important for breeding amphibians and eventually descends into a beautiful, mature, hardwood ravine. Fossils can be found near the bottom of the ravine. Look for the log on the right as the trail heads back uphill. Please leave fossils for others to admire. The trail ends at PEEC's amphitheater site; follow the campus road back to the main building.

Ridgeline Trail: Allow 3 hours to hike this 3.63 mile trail. It is blazed in **yellow** and begins at the forest edge of the parking lot behind Cabin #1. The trail wanders through expansive oak-hickory forests, shady hemlock ravines, and around numerous vernal wetlands. The terrain is hilly; in one section where the trail meanders over a rock ledge, additional care should be taken. This trail ends, along with the red blazed Scenic Gorge Trail, on Lower Campus. Follow the campus road back to the main building.

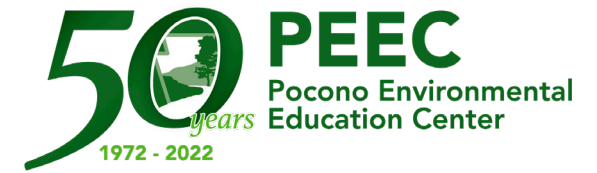
Scenic Gorge Trail: Allow at least an hour to enjoy this 1.5 mile trail. This trail is blazed in **red** and begins with the Ridgeline Trail behind Cabin #1. The trail is moderately difficult with a few steep sections. Hikers enter a deep, majestic hemlock forest following Spackmans Creek and walk from an open hardwood forest ecosystem into the dark, cool hemlock canopy. During rainy seasons this trail can be muddy in sections. The trail ends, along with Ridgeline Trail, on Lower Campus. Follow the campus road back to the main building.

Tumbling Waters Trail: Estimate at least 2 hours to hike this scenic 3.01 mile trail. This **orange**-blazed trail begins with Fossil Trail 30 yards up the campus road, across from the Group Lodges. At the end of the first mile, hikers are rewarded at Hermits Hill with a beautiful overlook of the Delaware Valley and the Kittatinny Mountains in New Jersey. At 1.5 miles, take a series of switchbacks down to the waterfalls. You must climb back up before continuing on the main trail. You will pass through 3 forest types: hemlock, mixed oak, and pine, before arriving at Pickerel Pond. Pickerel Pond is approximately 10 minutes from the main building parking lot.

Two Ponds Trail: The most leisurely trail at PEEC, this 1.4 mile loop takes hikers through towering pine plantations and allows a view of two scenic pond environments. Watch for various wildlife and birdlife along this trail. This trail is blazed in **white** and begins by the Front Pond bird blind across Emery Road from the main building parking lot and ends by the dining hall.

Sensory Trail: This trail is intended to increase sensory awareness. A rope guides blindfolded users around a short loop trail. Blindfolds can be picked up at the main office. This trail is located just past the entrance to the Tumbling Waters and Fossil Trails.

A Trail for Everyone: This trail is a 1/3 mile ADA compliant trail, marked with **violet** blazes. It encompasses different habitats, including field and pond ecosystems. The trail has numerous benches to serve as observation points and resting spots.



Trail Map

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Hiking Trails

Blaze Trail



- Blue - Fossil - 1.03 Miles
- Yellow - Ridgeline - 3.63 Miles
- White - Two Ponds - 1.4 Miles
- Red - Scenic Gorge - 1.5 Miles
- Orange - Tumbling Waters - 3.01 Miles
- Violet - Trail for Everyone - 0.3 Miles
- (Rope) - Sensory Awareness



0 100 200 300 400 500 Meters

Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) Projection
Zone 18 North
North American Datum 1983 (NAD83)
500 meter UTM grid tics

Dickinson College GIS, May 2011

For your safety and enjoyment, please follow these guidelines:

- Remain on the marked trails.
- **Do not** drink water from ponds and streams.
- Dogs are permitted provided that they are leashed.
- Swimming is **not permitted** in PEEC ponds and streams.
- Motorized vehicles and bicycles are **prohibited** on PEEC trails.
- **Remember – Take only pictures, leave only footprints.**

- P Parking
- Trailheads
- Points of Interest
- Ponds
- Roads
- Streams
- No Hunting Zone

