

Course # GEOL 102 Physical Geology Laboratory

Credit Hours: 1

Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 2

Lab: 0

Catalog Course Description: The laboratory study of rocks and minerals, interpretation of topographic and geologic maps, earth structures, earthquakes, economic resources, and local geology with field trips.

Pre-requisites: None

Co-requisites: GEOL 101

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):

- Ability to understand, demonstrate, and analyze rocks and minerals, topographic maps, earthquakes, relative dating techniques, structural geology and maps, groundwater, glaciers and deserts, and mass wasting.
- Ability to demonstrate critical thinking and apply the scientific method to a problem or idea.
- Capability to correctly make observations and/or take measurements and use scientific formulas for problem solving.
- Communicate results of scientific investigations, analyze data and formulate conclusions.
- Use critical thinking and scientific problem-solving skills, including, but not limited to, inferring, integrating, synthesizing, and summarizing, to make decisions, recommendations and predictions.
- Work safely and collaborate with peers to carry out the scientific method.

CLO Assessment Methods:

Direct: Exams, quizzes, lab assignment, and field trips.

Indirect Methods: Course Evaluations

Topics to be studied:

- Rocks and minerals
- weathering and erosion
- running water and groundwater
- glaciers and deserts, plate tectonics

- volcanic activity
- earthquakes
- mountain building
- geologic time, relative and radiometric dating techniques
- structural geology
- geologic and topographic maps

Relationship of Course to Program Learning Outcomes (PLO) or Institutional Learning Outcomes:

Check if approved as: Foundational Learning Course Reinforcement Learning Course

Special requirements of the course:

N/A

Additional information:

N/A

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