

## Minor Courses in Geology–Group 2 SLOT –A

ogramme	B.Sc.Geology				
CourseCode	GEL1MN102				
Course Title	<b>PHYSICALGEOLOGY</b>				
TypeofCourse	<b>Minor</b>				
Semester	I				
Academic Level	100 -199				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture perweek	Tutorial perweek	Practical perweek	Total Hours
	4	3	-	2	75
Pre-requisites	NIL				
Course Summary	This course serves as an introduction to the field of geology, coveringfundamentalconceptsrelatedtoEarth'sformation,dimensions,dynamic evolution,geochronology,andmajorgeological hazards.				

### CourseOutcomes (CO):

CO	CO Statement	Cognitive Level*	Knowledge Category#	Evaluation Toolsused
CO1	Studentswillhaveanunderstandingof the basic principles and concepts of geology,includingtheformationof Earth and its dimensions.	U	F	Exam
CO2	Students will be able to explain the theoriesofEarth's formationandits physical dimensions, including the structureandcompositionofEarth's interior layers.	Ap	C	Home assignments
CO3	Students will analyze the dynamic processes that have shaped Earth's surface and interior over geological timescales,includingplatetectonics, mountain building, erosion, and sedimentation.	An	P	Seminar presentations
CO4	Students will be able to interpret geochronologicaldataandunderstand the methods used to determine the agesofrocks	E	M	Home assignments
CO5	Students will identify and describe major geological hazards, including earthquakes,volcaniceruptions,and understandthegeologicalprocesses that cause them.	Ap	F	Assignment
CO6	Studentswill evaluatestrategiesfor mitigatingtheimpactsofgeological hazardsonsocietyandthe environment.	E	M	Practical Assignment

\*-Remember(R),Understand(U),Apply(Ap),Analyse(An),Evaluate(E),Create(C)  
#-FactualKnowledge(F)ConceptualKnowledge(C)ProceduralKnowledge(P)Metacognitive  
Knowledge (M)

**Detailed Syllabus: PHYSICAL GEOLOGY**

Module	Unit	Content	Hrs	Marks
<b>I</b>	<b>Introduction to Geology</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>
	1	Geology: The Science of Earth	2	
	2	The Development of Geology	3	
	3	The Nature of Scientific Inquiry	2	
	4	Plate Tectonics and Scientific Inquiry	3	
<b>II</b>	<b>Earth's Formation and Dimensions</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>
	5	Earth's Spheres	3	
	6	Earth System	3	
	7	Evolution of Earth	2	
	8	Formation of Earth's layered structure	2	
	9	Earth's Internal Structure	2	
<b>III</b>	<b>Changing Earth &amp; Geochronology</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>
	11	The Rock Cycle	2	
	12	The face of Earth. Mountain building. Origin & evolution of ocean floor	2	
	13	Age of the earth	2	
	14	Dating methods: Absolute (radiometric) and relative (stratigraphy)	2	
	15	Application of dating methods in constructing the Geological Time Scale	1	
	16	Overview of eras, periods, epochs – major geological events.	1	
<b>IV</b>	<b>Introduction to Major Geological Hazards</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>
	17	Volcanoes & Volcanic Hazards	1	
	18	Nature of Volcanic Eruptions and Products	1	
	19	Types of Volcanoes & Volcanic Landforms	2	
	20	Earthquakes & Earthquake Hazards	2	
	21	Seismology, Seismic Waves, Earthquakes & Plate Boundaries	2	
<b>V</b>	<b>Practical</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>
	1	Lab exercises to apply the concepts of interior of earth, earth's magnetism and plate tectonics. Exploring geologic features using Google Earth.	20	
	2	Introduction to Topographic Maps. Exercises involving contour lines.	4	
	3	Application of Gt. Aide (Academy) Freeware	6	

**Mapping of COs with PSOs and POs:**

	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7
CO1	1	-	-	-	-	-							
CO2	2	3	-	-	-	-							
CO3	-	-	1	-	-	-							
CO4	-	-	2	3	-	-							
CO5	-	1	-	-	-	-							
CO6	-	-	-	3	-	-							

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Level	Correlation
-	Nil
1	Slightly/Low
2	Moderate/Medium
3	Substantial/High

**Assessment Rubrics:**

External evaluation: 70marks. Internal Evaluation: 30marks

INTERNAL MARKS SPLIT-UP (TOTAL 30 MARKS)			
	Component of Internal Evaluation	4 Theory Modules (10)	Practical (20)
1	Test paper/Continuous Evaluation of Practical Exercises	5	10
2	Seminar/End Sem Exam & Viva-Voce	3	7
3	Assignment/Lab Record	2	3

**Mapping of CO to Assessment Rubrics:**

	Internal Exam	Assignment	Seminar	End Semester Examinations
CO1	✓			✓
CO2	✓			✓
CO3	✓			✓
CO4		✓		✓
CO5		✓		✓
CO6			✓	

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