

Earth and Planetary Sciences 10: Geologic Principles, Winter 2020

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Course hours, location: MWF, 10:40-11:45 pm, Thimann 1

Discussion Section hours, TA, location (section is *required* for all students):

10A: W 9:00–10:00 a (D226)	10B: W 4:05–5:05 pm (D226)
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Please remain in the discussion section for which you are enrolled, except by permission.

Course web site: On canvas

Assignments: regular reading before each presentation/discussion section, six homework exercises, due one week after being handed out, final presentation in section.

Exams (both closed-book): Midterm exam, **Monday, February 10** (regular time)
Final exam, cumulative, **Monday, March 16, 12:00–3:00 pm**

Required text: Marshak (any edition), Earth: Portrait of a Planet

Calculator: bring a calculator to discussion section. Your calculator should be capable of displaying and using "*scientific notation*." Ask for help if you are not sure what this means.

Expectations: You will be treated as responsible adults and are expected to offer the same courtesy to your instructor and teaching assistants. You may demonstrate that you deserve respect by (1) attending all presentations and discussion sections, (2) arriving on time and being prepared, (3) asking questions in class, section, and office hours, (4) completing the reading and being ready to discuss it, (5) completing all assignments on time, and (6) cooperating with your class colleagues in figuring out how to complete the homework, but turning in your own work.

Special Accommodations: UC Santa Cruz is committed to creating an academic environment that supports its diverse student body. If you are a student with a disability who requires accommodations to achieve equal access in this course, please submit your "Accommodation Authorization Letter" from the Disability Resource Center (DRC) to me privately during my office hours or by appointment, as soon as possible in the academic quarter, preferably within 1 week. I also am open to and want to encourage you to discuss with me ways I/we can ensure your full participation in this course. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to learn

more about the many services offered by the DRC. You can visit their website (<http://drc.ucsc.edu/index.html>), make an appointment, and meet in-person with a DRC staff member. The phone number is [831-459-2089](tel:831-459-2089) or email drc@ucsc.edu.

Dates/deadlines: You are expected to take examinations at the times listed. Exceptions will be made only under *extreme* circumstances, generally arranged in advance. Missing an exam without prior arrangement and without appropriate justification will result in a score of **zero** for that exam – **there will be no make-up exams or assignments**. Discussion section problem sets must be turned in at the start of section during the following week. Late problem sets will have points deducted, as discussed by your TA at the first discussion section.

Learning Outcomes Anticipated for Those Enrolled in Eart10:

- Familiarity with the scientific method, forming and testing of hypotheses.
- An understanding of the Earth's basic composition, from atoms to minerals to rocks to the overall structure of the planet.
- An understanding of the major classes of rocks and the processes that create them.
- An understanding of the theory of plate tectonics and how it explains much of the geologic record, as well as earthquake and volcanic hazards.
- Comprehension of how Earth scientists reconstruct past events and how they know when the events occurred. This includes knowing that the Earth is very, very old.
- A basic grasp of geologic hazards, what causes them and in what locations.
- An understanding that the Earth provides many resources that permitted the development and survival of human civilization.
- An appreciation of natural processes that create landforms and geological structures.
- Competence manipulating numbers using basic algebra and geometric considerations.

Grades/Evaluations based on:

35%	Midterm exam
30%	Assignments
35%	Final exam (plus occasional quizzes)

Presentation quizzes:

There will be occasional pop quizzes as part of the regular presentations. Those who are not present will lose all points associated with the quizzes.

Cheating: Plagiarism and cheating of other types will be dealt with severely, beginning with a zero on the illegitimate test or assignment. Such cases will also be referred to academic preceptors for possible disciplinary action.

Presentation, Section, and Reading List

Subject to revision as the quarter progresses, updates during class presentations...

Date	Presentation/Section topics	Reading
Week 1 6-10 January	1. Welcome and introduction: course overview, geology overview <i>Homework #Primer: Units, Conversions, Significant Digits</i> 2-3. Earth origins and structure	Prelude and Chapter 1 <i>read handouts carefully, complete math evaluation</i> Chapter 2
Week 2 13-17 January	4. Minerals <i>Discussion section: Homework 1</i> 5.-6. Plate tectonics	Chapter 5 Chapter 3, Interlude C
Week 3 20-26 January	No class Monday Jan. 20 <i>Discussion section: Homework 2</i> 7-8 Igneous Rocks	Chapter 4 Interlude A, Chapter 6
Week 4 27-31 Jan	9. Sedimentary rocks <i>Discussion section: Homework 3</i> 10. Metamorphic Rocks 11. Making mountains	Chapter 7, Interlude B Chapter 8 Chapter 11
Week 5 3-7 February	12-13. Rock record and geologic time <i>Discussion section: Midterm Review</i> 14. Rivers	Chapter 12, Interlude D Chapter 17, Interlude E
Week 6 10-14 February	Midterm Exam: Monday Feb. 10 (regular class time and room) <i>Discussion section: Homework 4</i> 14. Rivers 15. Oceans, currents, coasts	Covers material through: Rock record, geologic time Chapter 18
Week 7 17-21 February	No class Monday 2/17 16. Oceans, currents, coasts <i>Discussion section: Homework 5</i> 17. California & Santa Cruz area Geology	Chapter 19
Week 8 24-28 Feb	18. Groundwater <i>Discussion section: Homework 6</i> 19-20. Glaciers and ice ages	Chapter 19 Chapter 22
Week 9 2- 6 March	21-22. Earthquakes & Deep Earth structure <i>Discussion section: final review</i> 25. Earth History and Climate Change	Chapters 10 Chapters 23
Week 10 9-13 March	26-27. Earth's past climate	Chapters 13 and 23
Wed., March 16 Final exam	12:00–3:00 pm, Thimann 1	