

ENGINEERING GEOLOGY
EEES-3250, Fall Semester 2010

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Class

Place **Time**

Lecture: Bowman-Oddy 1059, Tu 3:45-5:25
Lab: Bowman-Oddy 1045, Th 3:45-5:25
Credits: 3 hrs

Class Objective: This class introduces the application of geologic principles to engineering practices through a series of readings, laboratory exercises and practical problems. The first portion of the class covers the fundamentals of geology including: plate tectonics and the resulting distributions of geologic materials and phenomena; mineral, rock and soil characterization; geologic structures; and construction and use of geologic maps. The remainder of the course investigates specific geologic processes and applications to engineering practices.

Required Text: *Geology for Engineers and Environmental Scientists* . A.E. Kehew, Prentice-Hall, 2nd ed. 1995.

Lab Manual: *Laboratory Manual in Physical Geology*, American Geological Institute, Prentice-Hall, 6th ed. or 7th ed. 2002.

Grading: Laboratory 25%, Homework 25%, Exams (2) 15% each, Final 20%

Class Schedule

<i>Week</i>	<i>Lecture and Laboratory Topic</i>	<i>Reading for Tues.</i>	<i>Laboratory Exercise</i>
1 8/23	Intro to Geology and Plate Tectonics	Ch. 1	
2 8/30	Minerals	Ch. 2	
3 9/6	Igneous Processes and Rocks	Ch. 3	
4 9/13	Sedimentary Processes and Rocks	Ch. 4	
5 9/20	Metamorphic Processes and Rocks (Exam 1: 9/23)	Ch. 5	
6 9/27	Weathering, sediments and soil	Ch. 6	
7 10/4	Rock mechanics	Ch. 7	
8 10/11	Earthquakes	Ch. 8	
9 10/18	Weathering and Erosion (Fall break Mon. and Tues)	Ch. 9	
10 10/25	Soils, Soil Hazards, and Land Subsidence	Ch. 10	
11 11/1	Ground Water	Ch. 11	
12 11/8	Mass Movement and Slope Stability (Exam 2: 11/11)	Ch. 12	
13 11/15	Rivers	Ch. 13	
14 11/22	Oceans and Coasts (Thanks Giving break Wed.-Sun)	Ch. 14	
15 11/29	Glacial Processes and Permafrost	Ch. 15	
16 12/6	Subsurface contamination	Ch. 16	
	Final Exam, Friday, December 17 @ 2:45-4:45		