

# Kazi Nazrul University



**Learning Outcomes based Curriculum  
Framework (LOCF)**

**For**

**Six Semester Course Under  
Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)**

**Syllabus for B.Sc. (Hons.)  
in Geology**

**2020**

## Preamble

The **University Grants Commission (UGC)** took the initiative of bringing significant reforms in the undergraduate education through introduction of the **Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF)**, which makes it student-centric, interactive and outcome-oriented with well-defined aims, objectives and goals to achieve. The LOCF has been formulated on the basis of a set of learning outcomes projected to be achieved for enhancing the employability and providing further opportunities for higher education and research. These Learning Outcomes (LO) determine the structure of the undergraduate programs to be offered by the Higher Educational Institutions (HEI) of our country. The key component of the planning and development of LOCF are given in terms of clear and unambiguous description of the Graduate Attributes, Qualification Descriptors, Program Learning Outcomes (PLO) and Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) to be achieved at the end of the successful completion of each undergraduate program to be offered by the HEI.

According to the philosophy of the proposed LOCF the teaching-learning process is being designed on a proportionate scale of 30:30:40 principle, where lectures (listening/hearing) constitute 30 percent of the delivery; laboratory (scientific analysis and experiments) 30 percent of the learning methods and participation learning [assignment-based presentation, group discussion, field work, and laboratory and computer simulations (wherever applicable)] 40 percent. Hence, in this undergraduate program, the course structure and detailed contents of the courses regarding the various components like the class room teaching (theory), laboratory (experiments), tutorials, and industrial / field visits and projects have been designed and planned to achieve the stated Learning Objectives (LO).

Majority of the primary sources in Geology are collected through field survey and excavations. Study Tours/ Field trips provide opportunities to the learners to test their in-class learning in real life situations as well as to understand the functional diversity in the learning spaces. It is thus recommended to encourage them to carry out daylong field trips from time to time. These may include visits to sites of knowledge creation, preservation, dissemination and application. Students will greatly strengthen their observational accuracy in the field, and this skill will translate

into other aspects of data description and interpretation. Students will gain new field experience, perspective, competence, and confidence as a field geologist. Students will develop the capability to produce geologic maps and cross sections of unknown terrains working individually and/or in groups. Production of geological maps will allow students to demonstrate the capacity for synthesizing and interpreting field data and compiling that information into a working understanding of the assigned field area.

A Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) on Research Project in Geosciences (Dissertation) has been introduced. This will help in the development of ability to devise and carry out an independent field-based project, including the formulation and testing of hypotheses whilst in the process of carrying out the project. The integration of field-based, experimental and theoretical principles needed for the Earth Sciences as recommended in the LOCF advisory.



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## Course Structure

YEAR	SEMESTER	CORE COURSE (14)	ABILITY ENHANCEMENT COMPULSORY COURSES (2)	SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (2)	DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE (DSE) (4)	GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE) (4)
FIRST YEAR	I	1. EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCE 2. MINERAL SCIENCE	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE			GE-1
	II	3. ELEMENTS OF GEOCHEMISTRY 4. STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY	COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH			GE-2
SECOND YEAR	III	5. IGNEOUS PETROLOGY 6. SEDIMENTOLOGY AND PRINCIPLES OF STRATIGRAPHY 7. PALAEOONTOLOGY		<b>SEC-I (Basic Field Training)</b>		GE-3
	IV	8. METAMORPHIC PETROLOGY 9. GEOLOGY OF INDIA 10. GLOBAL TECTONICS AND GEODYNAMICS OF THE LITHOSPHERE		<b>SEC-II (Geological Field Methods and Mapping)</b>		GE-4
THIRD YEAR	V	11. ECONOMIC GEOLOGY 12. FUEL GEOLOGY			DSE - 1 DSE - 2	
	VI	13. ENGINEERING GEOLOGY 14. HYDROGEOLOGY			DSE - 3 DSE - 4	

Discipline Specific Electives:

Semester V (any two out of four)	Semester VI (any two out of four)
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1. Remote Sensing and GIS	1. Mineral Exploration and Mining
2. Oceanography and Marine Geology	2. Climatology
3. Environmental Geology	3. Mine visit & Field Analysis of Fossiliferous Sedimentary Succession
4. Introduction to Geophysics	4. Research Project in Geology (Dissertation)

SEMESTER	COURSE OPTED	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
I	Ability Enhancement: compulsory course - I	Communicative English	4
	Core Course - I	Earth System Science	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - II	Mineral Science	4
		Practical	2
	Generic Elective - I	GE - I	6
<b>Total Credit</b>			<b>22</b>
II	Ability Enhancement: compulsory course - II	Environmental Science	4
	Core Course - III	Elements of Geochemistry	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - IV	Structural Geology	4
		Practical	2
	Generic Elective - II	GE - II	6
<b>Total Credit</b>			<b>22</b>
III	Core Course - V	Igneous Petrology	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - VI	Sedimentology & Principles of Stratigraphy	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - VII	Palaeontology	4
		Practical	2
	Generic Elective - III	GE - III	6
	Skill Enhancement Course - I	Basic Field Training	4
<b>Total Credit</b>			<b>28</b>
IV	Core Course - VIII	Metamorphic Petrology	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - IX	Geology of India	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - X	Global Tectonics and Geodynamics of the Lithosphere	4

		Practical	2
	Generic Elective - IV	GE - IV	6
	Skill Enhancement Course - II	Geological Field Methods and Mapping	4
	<b>Total Credit</b>		<b>28</b>

<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>COURSE OPTED</b>	<b>COURSE NAME</b>	<b>CREDIT</b>
<b>V</b>	Core Course - XI	Economic Geology	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - XII	Fuel Geology	4
		Practical	2
	Discipline Specific Elective - I	DSE - I	4
		Practical	2
	Discipline Specific Elective - II	DSE - II	4
		Practical	2
<b>Total Credit</b>			<b>24</b>
<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>COURSE OPTED</b>	<b>COURSE NAME</b>	<b>CREDIT</b>
<b>VI</b>	Core Course - XIII	Engineering Geology	4
		Practical	2
	Core Course - XIV	Hydrogeology	4
		Practical	2
	Discipline Specific Elective - III	DSE - III	4
		Practical	2
	Discipline Specific Elective - IV	DSE - IV	4
		Practical	2
<b>Total Credit</b>			<b>24</b>
<b>Grand Total of Credits in Six Semesters</b>			<b>148</b>

## CORE COURSES

### FIRST SEMESTER

Course Name: EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCE

Course Code: BSCHGELC101

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

#### THEORY

##### **Unit 1: Earth System Science**

Introduction to Earth System Science

General characteristics and origin of the Universe, Solar System and its planets; the Terrestrial and Jovian planets; Meteorites and Asteroids; Earth in the solar system: origin, size, shape, mass, density, rotational and revolution parameters and its age.

##### **Unit 2: Solid Earth and its fluid cover**

Internal constitution - its recognition vis-à-vis solid earth geophysics: crust, mantle, core, evidence from seismic waves and rocks

Hydrosphere, atmosphere and biosphere: Elementary idea

Nature of Earth's magnetic field

##### **Unit 3: Tectonics**

Brief idea about plate tectonics, Plate boundaries

Internal process and its superficial manifestation - volcanoes and volcanism, distribution of volcanoes: causes of earthquakes and their effects, intensity and magnitude, earthquake belts, seismic zones of India.

##### **Unit 4: Hydrosphere and Atmosphere**

Oceanic current system and effect of Coriolis force

Concepts of eustasy

Weather and climatic changes

Land-sea interaction along coast; Coastal processes and products

##### **Unit 5: Earth surface processes**

Weathering; erosion; mass wasting; Geological work of wind, river and glacier;

Geomorphological features: Geoid, Topography, Hypsometry and Bathymetry, Drainage Basin and Drainage Patterns

Formation of soil, soil profile and soil types

##### **Unit 6: Introduction to the concept of time in geological studies**

Stratigraphy: definition and scope

Brief history of development of stratigraphic principles; concepts of Neptunism, Plutonism and Uniformitarianism

Geological Time Table, introduction to geochronological methods and their application in geological studies

Fundamental laws of stratigraphy: Superposition, Faunal succession and correlation



## PRACTICAL

Study of major geomorphic features and their relationships with outcrops through physiographic maps; Detailed study of topographic sheets and preparation of physiographic description of an area, Preparation of topographic profile; Morphometry of a drainage basin, Calculating different morphometric parameters

### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Duff, P. M. D., & Duff, D (Eds.),1993. *Holmes' principles of physical geology*. Taylor & Francis.
2. Emiliani, C.,1992. *Planet earth: cosmology, geology, and the evolution of life and environment*. Cambridge University Press.
3. Gross, M. G. ,1977. *Oceanography: A view of the earth*.
4. Robert S. Anderson and Suzzane P. Anderson, 2010. *Geomorphology - The Mechanics and Chemistry of Landscapes*. Cambridge University Press.

Course Name: MINERAL SCIENCE  
Course Code: BSCHGELC101  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

## THEORY

### Unit 1: Crystallography

Elementary ideas about crystal morphology in relation to internal structures; Crystal parameters and indices; Crystal symmetry and classification of crystals into point groups, space groups; Stereographic projections of symmetry elements and forms; Characteristics of crystal systems

### Unit 2: Rock forming minerals

Minerals - definition and classification, physical and chemical properties; Substitution principles – Goldschmidt's rule of substitution of elements; partitioning of elements between coexisting phases; Brief idea about Isomorphism, Solid solution, Pseudomorphism and Polymorphism: elementary concept on principle types – common polymorphic forms of C, SiO<sub>2</sub> and Al<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub>; Crystal structure and its controls: bonding and coordination principles. Classification of silicate groups based on structure and derivation of structural formulae based on composition; Non-silicate structures; CCP and HCP structures

### Unit 3: Optical mineralogy

Optical behaviour of crystals – Isotropic and anisotropic minerals; Nicol prism and its principle of construction; Polaroid; Refractive index of minerals; Uniaxial & Biaxial minerals; Optical indicatrix of uniaxial and biaxial minerals; Birefringence, Interference colour and use of interference colour chart; Relation between crystallographic and optical axes of crystals; Pleochroism and pleochroic scheme; Extinction; Study of interference figures; Optic sign of uniaxial and biaxial minerals

## PRACTICAL

Study of the symmetry of crystals in hand specimen; Solution of crystallographic problems through stereographic projection

Study of physical properties of minerals in hand specimen: Olivine, Garnet, Sillimanite, Kyanite, Staurolite, Beryl, Tourmaline, Pyroxene, Actinolite, Tremolite, Hornblende, Serpentine, Talc, Muscovite, Biotite, Quartz, Alkali feldspar, Plagioclase, Nepheline, Sodalite, Zeolite, Pyrite, Chalcopyrite, Galena, Sphalerite, Graphite, Magnetite, Haematite, Fluorite, Calcite, Dolomite, Gypsum, Asbestos, Ilmenite, Chromite, Pyrolusite, Psilomelane, Bauxite

Study of optical properties of common rock-forming minerals: quartz, orthoclase, microcline, plagioclase, perthite, nepheline, olivine, orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene, hornblende, staurolite, garnet, muscovite, biotite, calcite

### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Klein, C., Dutrow, B., Dwight, J., & Klein, C., 2007. *The 23rd Edition of the Manual of Mineral Science (after James D. Dana)*. J. Wiley & Sons.
2. Kerr, P. F., 1959. *Optical Mineralogy*. McGraw-Hill.
3. Verma, P. K., 2010. *Optical Mineralogy (Four Colour)*. Ane Books Pvt Ltd.
4. Deer, W. A., Howie, R. A., and Zussman, J., 1992. *An introduction to the rock-forming minerals*. London, Longman.

## SECOND SEMESTER

Course Name: ELEMENTS OF GEOCHEMISTRY

Course Code: BSCHGELC201

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

### THEORY

#### Unit 1: Concepts of geochemistry

Cosmic abundance of elements: Distribution of elements in solar system and in Earth; Introduction to chemical differentiation and composition of the Earth; General concepts about geochemical cycles; Introduction to properties of elements: The periodic table  
Chemical bonding, states of matter and atomic environment of elements  
Geochemical classification of elements

#### Unit 2: Layered structure of Earth and geochemistry

Composition of different Earth reservoirs and the nuclides and radioactivity  
Concept of radiogenic isotopes in geochronology and isotopic tracers

#### Unit 3: Element transport

Advection and diffusion

Aqueous geochemistry- basic concepts and speciation in solutions, Eh, pH relations

#### Unit 4: Geochemistry of solid Earth

The solid Earth – geochemical variability of magma and its products

Composition of the bulk silicate Earth

Meteorites

**Unit 5: Geochemical behavior of selected elements**

Si, Al, K, Na, Ca, Fe, Mg, Ti.

**Unit 6: Brief introduction to analytical instruments and geochemical data**

EPMA, XRF, ICPMS

**PRACTICAL**

Interpretation of geochemical data: Bivariate and trivariate plots to delineate the control of different compositional variables: Harker variation diagram, AFM diagram, MgO diagram, compatible and incompatible element variation. Simple examples of determining radiometric age from given data on appropriate mother & daughter isotopes.

**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Mason, B., 1986. *Principles of Geochemistry*. 3rd Edition, Wiley New York.
2. Rollinson, H., 2007. *Using geochemical data – evaluation, presentation and interpretation*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Longman Scientific & Technical.
3. Walther, J. V., 2009. *Essentials of geochemistry*. Jones & Bartlett Publishers.
4. Albarède, F., 2003. *Geochemistry: an introduction*. Cambridge University Press.
5. Faure, G. and Mensing, T. M., 2004. *Isotopes: Principles and Applications*. Wiley India Pvt. Ltd

Course Name: STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY

Course Code: BSCHGELC202

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

**THEORY****Unit 1: Basic structural elements**

Introduction to structural geology; Different schemes of classifying geological structures (Primary vs. Secondary, Diastrophic vs. Non-diastrorphic, Penetrative vs. Non-penetrative, Brittle - Brittle-ductile - Ductile, Planar - Linear - Hybrid, etc.); Orientational attributes of planar and linear structures (concepts of dip, strike, trend, plunge, rake/pitch, etc.); Application of primary structures for determining younging/facing direction; Unconformity and its types.

**Unit 2: Rock deformation**

Concept of rock deformation: Stress and Strain in rocks, Brief discussion of the factors controlling behavior of rocks (i.e. the different stress-strain relationships shown by rocks) during deformation. Introducing Mohr Circle for stress; Strain ellipse and ellipsoids of different types and their geological significance.

**Unit 3: Folds**

Fold morphology; Geometric classification, mechanics of folding: Buckling, Bending, Flexural slip and flow folding; Shearing and Flattening; genetic classification of folds

#### **Unit 4: Foliation and lineation**

Types of foliation and lineation, their tectonic significance and relationship with other structures

#### **Unit 5: Fractures and faults and ductile shear zones (DSZ-s)**

Definition, Idea about the situation leading to formation of these structures.

Classification of fractures and faults and their relationship with strain; Brief introduction to Mohr Envelope; Effects of faulting on the outcrops, Techniques of determination of net slip of faults. Criteria for recognition of faults and determination of net slip

### **PRACTICAL**

Introduction to Geological maps: Lithological and Structural maps; Structural contouring and 3-point problems of dip and strike; Simple problems involving vertical and inclined boreholes. Drawing profile sections and interpretation of geological maps of different complexities; Exercises of stereographic projections of mesoscopic structural data (planar, linear, folded etc.)

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Ghosh, S.K., 1993. *Structural Geology – Fundamentals and Modern Developments*. Pergamon Press.
2. Davis, G. R., 1984. *Structural Geology of Rocks and Regions*. John Wiley
3. Billings, M. P., 1987. *Structural Geology*. 4th edition, Prentice-Hall.
4. Park, R. G., 2004. *Foundations of Structural Geology*. Chapman & Hall.
5. Pollard, D. D., 2005. *Fundamentals of Structural Geology*. Cambridge University Press.
6. Ramsay, J.G., 1967. *Folding and fracturing of rocks*. McGraw-Hill.
7. Ramsay, J.G. and Huber, M.I., 1984 & 1987. *The Techniques of Modern Structural Geology – Volumes 1 & 2*, respectively. Academic Press.
8. Ragan, D. M., 2009. *Structural Geology: an introduction to geometrical techniques*. 4th Edition, Cambridge University Press (For Practical)
9. Lahee F. H., 1962. *Field Geology*. McGraw-Hill
10. Turner, F.J. and Weiss, L.E., 1963. *Structural Analysis of Metamorphic Tectonites*. McGraw-Hill.

### **THIRD SEMESTER**

Course Name: IGNEOUS PETROLOGY

Course Code: BSCHGELC301

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

### **THEORY**

#### **Unit 1: Introduction to Igneous petrology**

Principal modes of magma formation in the crust and upper mantle; physical properties of magma - temperature, viscosity, density and volatile content; formation and types of igneous rocks: volcanic, hypabyssal, plutonic.

## **Unit 2: Form and structure**

Description of different forms and structures of igneous bodies with emphasis on their mode of emplacement - sill, dyke, ring dyke, cone sheet, laccolith, lopolith, phaccolith, batholith, pillow structure, ropy and aa lava structure, columnar joints etc.

## **Unit 3: Textures and microstructures**

Crystallinity, granularity, shapes and mutual relations of grains; nucleation and growth of igneous minerals

Description of the following textures and microstructures with their occurrence in different rocks - panidiomorphic, hypidiomorphic, allotriomorphic, porphyritic, vitrophyric, poikilitic, ophitic, sub-ophitic, intergranular, intersertal, pilotaxitic, trachytic, graphic, granophyric, rapakivi, orbicular, corona, perthitic, myrmekitic, variolitic, speherulitic & spinifex.

## **Unit 4: Classification of igneous rocks**

Bases of classification of igneous rocks: mineralogical, textural, chemical, chemico-mineralogical and associational; Norm and mode; Standard classification schemes - Niggli, Hatch, Wells & Wells and IUGS

## **Unit 5: Phase diagrams**

Elementary idea of Phase Rule and its application to eutectic, peritectic and solid solution system: Phase equilibria in the following binary and ternary systems, and their petrogenetic significance: diopside - anorthite, forsterite - silica, albite - anorthite, albite - orthoclase, diopside - albite - anorthite, forsterite - diopside - silica and nepheline - kalsilite - silica.

## **Unit 6: Petrography of the common igneous rock types**

Granitoids, Pegmatite, Syenite, Monzonite, Diorite, Norite, Gabbro, Anorthosite, Dolerite, Pyroxenites, Peridotite, Lamprophyres, Carbonatite, Rhyolite, Andesite, Dacite, Basalt, Komatiite.

## **Unit 7: Petrogenesis of igneous rocks**

Crystallization - Differentiation of a magma, brief idea on several mechanisms of magmatic differentiation, Bowen's reaction series and its implications; Elementary knowledge of petrogenesis of the following rocks: granite, basalt and ultramafic rocks.

## **PRACTICAL**

Study of important igneous rocks in hand specimens and thin sections - granite, granodiorite, diorite, syenite, nepheline syenite, gabbro, anorthosites, ultramafic rocks, basalts, andesites. Determination of normative composition and name of igneous rocks from given bulk rock chemical analyses.

## **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Philpotts, A., and Ague, J., 2009. *Principles of igneous and metamorphic petrology*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Winter, J. D., 2014. *Principles of igneous and metamorphic petrology*. Pearson.
3. Rollinson, H. R., 2014. *Using geochemical data: evaluation, presentation, interpretation*. Routledge.

4. Raymond, L. A., 2002. *Petrology: the study of igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic rocks*. McGraw-Hill Science Engineering.
5. McBirney, A. R., 1984. *Igneous Petrology*. San Francisco (Freeman, Cooper & Company) and Oxford (Oxford Univ. Press),
6. Best, M. G., 2001. *Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology*.
7. K. G. Cox, J. D. Bell., 1979. *The Interpretation of Igneous Rocks*. Springer/Chapman & Hall.
8. Bose M.K., 1997. *Igneous Petrology*.
9. Tyrrell, G.W., 1926. *Principles of Petrology*. Springer

Course Name: SEDIMENTOLOGY AND PRINCIPLES OF STRATIGRAPHY

Course Code: BSCHGELC302

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

## THEORY

### **Unit 1: Introduction to Sedimentology**

Outline of sedimentation process: Definition of sediment; origin of sediments: mechanical and chemical sediments; source rock or provenance.

### **Unit 2: Sedimentary Texture**

Clastic and Non-clastic texture: definition and components; Granulometry: concept and grain size scale, particle size distribution, environmental connotation; particle shape and fabric;

### **Unit 3: Basic hydraulics and Sedimentary structures**

Fluid flow: Types of fluids, Laminar and turbulent flow, subcritical, critical and supercritical flows; concept of mean flow velocity, unit discharge and bed shear stress; flow profile and flow separation; particle entrainment, transport and deposition

Mass flow: types, mechanisms and controlling factors, process-product relationship

Penecontemporaneous deformation: mechanisms and controlling factors

Sedimentary structure: Primary and penecontemporaneous deformation structures

Bedform stability diagram

Paleocurrent analysis: Data acquisition, methodology, different paleocurrent patterns.

### **Unit 4: Sedimentary rocks**

Siliciclastic rocks: Components and classification(s) of conglomerates and sandstones

Tectonic control on sandstone composition

General introduction to mudrocks

Carbonate rocks, controlling factors of carbonate deposition, components and classifications of limestone; dolomite and dolomitization

Diagenesis of siliciclastic and carbonate deposits.

### **Unit 5: Principles of stratigraphy**

Stratigraphic units; Definition of lithostratigraphic, biostratigraphic and chronostratigraphic units; International Stratigraphic Code – development of a standardized stratigraphic nomenclature; Concepts of Stratotypes. Global Stratotype Section and Point (GSSP).

Introduction to concepts of: chemostratigraphy, seismic stratigraphy, sequence stratigraphy, Magnetostratigraphy

## **Unit 6: Stratigraphic analysis**

Principles of stratigraphic correlation; Facies concept in stratigraphy; Walther's Law of Facies; Basic concept of paleogeographic reconstruction

### **PRACTICAL**

Exercises on sedimentary structures; Particle size distribution and statistical analysis, Paleocurrent analysis; Petrographic study of clastic and non-clastic rocks in hand specimens and thin sections

### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Pettijohn, F.J., 2019. *Sedimentary Rocks*. 3<sup>rd</sup> e-book Edition. CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.
2. Allen, J.R.L., 1985. *Principles of Physical Sedimentology*. George Allen and Unwin, London
3. Prothero, D. R., & Schwab, F., 2004. *Sedimentary geology*. Macmillan.
4. Tucker, M. E., 2006. *Sedimentary Petrology*, Blackwell Publishing.
5. Collinson, J. D. & Thompson, D. B., 1988. *Sedimentary structures*, Unwin- Hyman, London.
6. Nichols, G., 2009. *Sedimentology and Stratigraphy*, Second Edition. Wiley Blackwell
7. Doyle, P. and Bennett, M. R., 1996. *Unlocking the Stratigraphic Record*. John Wiley
8. Folk, R.L., 1980. *Petrology of Sedimentary Rocks*. Hemphill Publishing Company.

Course Name: PALAEOLOGY  
Course Code: BSCHGELC303  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

### **THEORY**

#### **Unit I: Fossilization and fossil records**

Processes relating to fossilization of invertebrates, vertebrates, and plants; taphonomy and its significance in interpreting depositional environments, modes of preservation; Importance of fossil records – fossil lagerstätten.

#### **Unit II: Systematics**

Species concept, species problem in palaeontology, Taxonomic hierarchy, methods of description and naming of fossils, code of systematic nomenclature. Theory of organic evolution: speciation, microevolution, macroevolution, examples from fossil records.

#### **Unit III: Invertebrates**

Study of morphological features as preserved in fossils of important invertebrate groups: Class Bivalvia, Class Gastropoda, Class Cephalopoda (Subclass: Ammonoidea and Nautiloidea), Class Echinoidea, Class Anthozoa (coral). Brief morphological features of Phylum Brachiopoda, Class Trilobita.

#### **Unit IV: Vertebrates**

Origin of vertebrates and major steps in vertebrate evolution: origin of jaws, amniotic eggs, diversification of terrestrial habitat and back to water, Mesozoic reptiles with special reference to origin, diversity and extinction of dinosaurs; Endothermy versus Ectothermy in dinosaurs; Origin of mammals; Major traits in horse evolution and intercontinental migrations; Major traits in hominid evolution and records of hominid fossils in Indian subcontinent; Vertebrate fossil records from Gondwana formations.

#### **Unit V: Palaeobotany**

Early plant life, colonization of land, important stages in plant evolution, Gondwana flora: role of climate in its evolution.

#### **Unit VI: Microfossils**

Introduction to microfossils; Study of Morphological features of Foraminifera and their classification.

#### **Unit VII: Application of Palaeontology**

Palaeoecology – principles and methods; application of fossils in the study of palaeoecology, and palaeoclimate; Palaeobiogeography: biogeographic provinces, dispersal and barriers.

### **PRACTICAL**

Study of fossils showing various modes of preservation,

Study of diagnostic morphological characters up to family level of Gastropoda, Cephalopoda.

Study of morphological features: Bivalvia, Echinoidea pertaining to their mode of living.

Study of diagnostic morphological characters, generic identification and stratigraphic position of plant fossils.

Identification of molar tooth of *Equus*, *Hipparion*, *Rhinoceros*, *Stegodon* and *Trilophodon* and its functional morphology.

### **SUGGESTED READINGS**

1. Cowen, R., 2000. *History of Life*, Blackwell Science.
2. Clarkson, E. N. K., 2013. *Invertebrate Palaeontology and Evolution*, Blackwell Science
3. Black, R.M., 1989. *The Elements of Palaeontology*, Cambridge University Press
4. Benton, M., 2005. *Vertebrate Palaeontology*, Blackwell Publishing
5. Jackson, P. W., 2019. *Introducing Palaeontology: A Guide to Ancient Life*, Dunedin Academic Press Ltd.
6. Enay, R., 2012. *Palaeontology of Invertebrates*, Springer-Verlag.
7. Doyle, P., 1996. *Understanding Fossils: An Introduction to Invertebrate Palaeontology*, John Wiley and Sons
8. Davies, M., 2008. *An Introduction to Palaeontology*, Read Books.
9. Shukla, A. C., & Misra, S. P., 1975. *Essentials of paleobotany*, Vikas Publisher.
10. Goldring, R, 2014. *Field Palaeontology*, Routledge
11. Johansson, C. Z., Underwood, M. Richter, 2019. *Evolution and development of Fishes*, Cambridge University Press.
12. Saraswati, P.K., Srinivasan, M.S., 2016. *Micropaleontology: Principles and Applications*, Springer International Publishing Switzerland.
14. Benton, M.J., and Harper D. A. T., 2009. *Introduction to Paleobiology and the Fossil Record*, Wiley-Blackwell.



15. Colbert, E.H. and Minkoff, Eli C., 2001. *Evolution of vertebrates*, Wiley
16. Stewart, W.N. and Rothwell G.W., 2001. *Paleobotany and the evolution of plants*, Cambridge University Press.
17. Armstrong, H. A., & Brasier, M.D., 2005. *Microfossils*. Blackwell Publishing.

### **SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE**

**Course Name: BASIC FIELD TRAINING**

**Course Code: BSCHGELSEC301**

**(CREDITS: 4)**

Mandatory Field Work for a minimum period of 10 days (on field)

Unit 1: Orientation of Topographic sheet in field, marking location in toposheet, Fixation of locations through bearing (Front and back). Concepts of map reading, Distance, height and pace approximation

Unit 2: Identification of rock types in field; structures and texture of rocks, Use of hand lens

Unit 3: Basic field measurement techniques: Bedding dip and strike, Pitch and Plunge of linear features, Measurement of Paleocurrent direction and palinspastic restoration;

Construction of Litholog

Unit 4: Reading contours and topography

### **FOURTH SEMESTER**

Course Name: METAMORPHIC PETROLOGY

Course Code: BSCHGELC401

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

#### **THEORY**

##### **Unit 1: Metamorphism - controls and types**

Definition of metamorphism; factors controlling metamorphism; types of metamorphism - contact, regional, fault zone metamorphism, impact metamorphism.

##### **Unit 2: Quantification of equilibrium in metamorphism**

Metamorphic rocks as geochemical systems; Application of chemical thermodynamics in homogeneous phase equilibria; Geothermobarometry

##### **Unit 3: Metamorphic facies and grades**

Concept of equilibrium; Index minerals; composition paragenesis diagram (ACF, AKF, AFM projection); metamorphic zones and isogrades; Concept of metamorphic facies and grade; mineralogical phase rule of closed and open system

##### **Unit 4: Metamorphism and Tectonism**

Relationship between metamorphism and deformation; structure and textures of metamorphic rocks metamorphic mineral reactions (prograde and retrograde); Metamorphic Facies Series; Paired Metamorphic Belt.

### **Unit 5: Types of metamorphism**

Progressive metamorphism of pelitic and basic rocks; Contact metamorphism of impure limestone; Crustal anatexis, Partial melting in metamorphic rocks; Migmatites and their origin; Metasomatism and role of fluids in metamorphism.

### **Unit 6: Metamorphic rock associations**

Slate, Phyllite, Schists, Gneisses, Granulites, Blue schists and Eclogites.

## **PRACTICAL**

Megascopic and microscopic study (textural and mineralogical) of the following metamorphic rocks: Low grade metamorphic rocks: serpentinites, albite-epidote-chlorite-quartz schist, slate, talc-tremolite-calcite-quartz schist.

Medium to high grade metamorphic rocks: Gneisses, amphibolite, hornfels, garnetiferous schists, sillimanite-kyanite-bearing rocks, Granulites, eclogite, diopside-forsterite marble.

Laboratory exercises in graphic plots for petrochemistry and interpretation of assemblages.

### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Philpotts, A., and Ague, J., 2009. *Principles of igneous and metamorphic petrology*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Winter, J. D., 2014. *Principles of igneous and metamorphic petrology*. Pearson.
3. Rollinson, H. R., 2014. *Using geochemical data: evaluation, presentation, interpretation*. Routledge.
4. Raymond, L. A., 2002. *Petrology: the study of igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic rocks*. McGraw-Hill Science Engineering.
5. Yardley, B. W., and Yardley, B. W. D., 1989. *An introduction to metamorphic petrology*. Longman Earth Science Series.

Course Name: GEOLOGY OF INDIA  
Course Code: BSCHGELC402  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

## **THEORY**

### **Unit 1: Physiographic and tectonic subdivisions of India**

Brief introduction to the physiographic and tectonic subdivisions of India.

### **Unit 2: Precambrian evolution of Peninsular India**

Stratigraphy and evolution of the Precambrian cratons, Dharwar, Singhbhum, Aravalli, Bastar; Central Indian Suture Zone; Introduction to Proterozoic basins of India, Vindyan and Cuddapah.

### **Unit 3: Introduction to Himalayas**

Divisions and tectono-magmatic evolution of the Himalayas: Paleozoic Succession of Kashmir and its correlatives from Spiti and Zaskar Stratigraphy; Triassic successions of Spiti; Cenozoic succession of Lesser Himalaya and Sub-Himalaya (Siwalik)

**Unit 4: Phanerozoic evolution of Peninsular India**

Gondwana basin-fills of Peninsular India; Mesozoic basins of India: Kutch, Cauvery; Cenozoic basins of India: Assam, Bengal Basin

**Unit 5: Volcanic provinces of India**

Deccan Trap, Rajmahal Trap, Sylhet Trap

**Unit 6: Important Stratigraphic boundaries in India**

Precambrian-Cambrian boundary, Permian-Triassic boundary, and Cretaceous-Tertiary boundary

**PRACTICAL**

Study of geological map of India and identification of cratons. Mobile belts and major stratigraphic units; Erection of lithologs, correlation between lithologs and construction of fence diagram.

Drawing of various paleogeographic maps of Precambrian time; Study of different Proterozoic supercontinent reconstructions.

**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Krishnan, M. S., 1982. *Geology of India and Burma*, CBS Publishers, Delhi
2. Ramakrishnan, M. and Vaidyanadhan, R., 2008. *Geology of India*, Volumes 1 & 2. Geological Society of India, Bangalore.
3. Valdiya, K. S., 2010. *The making of India*. Macmillan India Pvt. Ltd.

Course Name: GLOBAL TECTONICS AND GEODYNAMICS OF THE LITHOSPHERE

Course Code: BSCHGELC403

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

**THEORY****Unit 1: Introduction**

Definitions of 'Tectonics' and 'Global Tectonics'. Similarities and differences between Structural Geology and Tectonics. Asthenosphere and Lithosphere in the context of global tectonics. A brief introduction to how our ideas of tectonics on global scale evolved progressively from continental drift concept through sea-floor spreading concept to the comprehensive plate tectonics concept.

**Unit 2: Geomagnetism**

The concept of geomagnetism, geomagnetic anomaly and geomagnetic polarity reversals. Paleomagnetism: Concept of fossil magnetism, paleo-latitude and paleomagnetic evidences in favor of continental drift theory.

**Unit 3: Continental drift Theory**

Wegner's and Du Toit's concepts

**Unit 4: Seafloor spreading**

Its concept; Linear Magnetic Anomalies; Vine & Mathew's hypothesis.

### **Unit 5: Plate Tectonics Theory**

Plates; Different types of plate boundaries and their characteristic features; Plate motions and driving forces and mechanisms; Special discussion on island arcs and collisional orogenic belts (with the Himalayas in focus).

### **Unit 6: Isostasy**

Concept of isostasy, its development; proposed models explaining isostatic equilibrium – comparative analysis; isostatic condition of India

### **Unit 7: Changing global tectonics with time**

The location, extent and age of the major orogenic belts of the Earth in geological history (referring only to the respective classical occurrences). General idea about the changing pattern of global tectonics with progressive ageing of the Earth.

### **Unit 8: Supercontinents**

Supercontinents through Geological time; concept of assembly and break-up of supercontinents – evidence and explanations

## **PRACTICAL**

The technique of locating the focus (and epicenter) of earthquakes using focal mechanism solutions.

Marking on an outline map of the world: (i) the position and name of all the major present-day plates on the Earth, (ii) the specific nature (convergent, divergent and transform) of the boundaries of those plates and (iii) the sense of relative plate movement across those boundaries.

Study of paleomagnetic and paleotectonic maps.

Interpretation of Isogal maps (i.e. Bouguer Gravity Anomaly maps).

### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Condie, K.C., 1982. *Plate Tectonics and Crustal Evolution*. 2nd Edition, Pergamon Press.
2. Keary, P., Klepeis, K.A. and Vine, F.J., 2009. *Global Tectonics*. 3rd Edition, Wiley-Blackwell.
3. Brown, G.C. and Mussett, A.E., 1993. *The Inaccessible Earth*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Chapman & Hall, London.
4. Moores, E.M. and Twiss, R.J., 1995. *Tectonics*. W.H. Freeman.

## **SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE**

**Course Name: GEOLOGICAL FIELD METHODS AND MAPPING**

**Course Code: BSCHGELSEC401**

**(CREDITS: 4)**

Mandatory Field Work for a minimum period of 15 days (on field)

Unit 1: Geological mapping, stratigraphic correlation

Unit 2: Primary (scalars and vectors) and secondary structures (linear and planar)

Unit 3: Trend, plunge, Rake/Pitch

Unit 4: Stereoplots of linear and planar structures, Orientation analyses

## FIFTH SEMESTER

Course Name: ECONOMIC GEOLOGY

Course Code: BSCHGELC501

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

### THEORY

#### **Unit 1: Ores and gangues**

Ores, gangue minerals, tenor, grade and lodes; Resources and reserves- definitions and classifications

#### **Unit 2: Mineral deposits and classical concepts of Ore formation**

Mineral deposit and Ore deposit; Historical concepts of ore genesis: Plutonist and neptunist concepts of ore formation; Endogenous processes: Magmatic concentration, hydrothermal deposits, skarns, greisens; Metamorphosed ore deposits, metamorphism of ore deposits; Exogenous processes: weathering products and residual deposits, oxidation and supergene enrichment, placer deposits; Sedex, VMS deposits; biogenic ore deposits.

#### **Unit 3: Structure of ore deposits and tectonics of mineralization**

Concordant and discordant ore bodies, lodes; Tectonic control of mineralization: Brief idea about mineral deposits of different plate tectonic settings

#### **Unit 4 Ore textures**

Different type of ore textures due to free growth and constrained growth.

#### **Unit 5: Economic recovery of ore minerals**

Basic ideas about the exploration and exploitation of an ore body; Assessment of grade of ore; reserve estimation;

#### **Unit 6: Metallic and nonmetallic mineral deposits**

Metallogenic provinces and epochs; Important deposits of India including atomic minerals Non-metallic and industrial rocks and mineral deposits in India; Introduction to gemstones.

### PRACTICAL

Identification of common ore minerals in hand specimen

Study of microscopic properties of ore forming minerals (Oxides and sulfides).

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Gilbert, J.M. and Park Jr., C.F., 1986. *The Geology of Ore deposits*. Freeman & Co.
2. Bateman, A.M. and Jensen, M.L., 1990. *Economic Mineral Deposits*. John Wiley.
3. Evans, A.M., 1993. *Ore Geology and Industrial minerals*. Wiley
4. Laurence Robb., 2005. *Introduction to ore forming processes*. Wiley.
5. Gokhale, K.V.G.K. and Rao, T.C., 1978. *Ore deposits of India their distribution and processing*. Tata-McGraw Hill, New Delhi.
6. Deb, S., 1980. *Industrial minerals and rocks of India*. Allied Publishers.
7. Sarkar, S.C. and Gupta, A., 2012. *Crustal Evolution and Metallogeny in India*. Cambridge Publications.

Course Name: FUEL GEOLOGY  
Course Code: BSCHGELC502  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

## THEORY

### Unit 1: Coal

Definition and origin of Coal; Classification of Coal: ASTM, Seyler's, National, International and Indian; Coalification: Causes of Coalification; Combustion Properties of Coal: Calorific Value; Ash Fusion Temperatures; Caking Tests; Coking Tests; Physical Properties of Coal: Mechanical Strength, Density, Hardness and Grindability, Abrasion Index; Particle Size Distribution; Float-Sink Tests; Fundamentals of Coal Petrology – Introduction to lithotypes, microlithotypes and macerals in coal; Proximate and Ultimate analysis, Chemical properties of coal

### Unit 2: Coal Bed Methane

Coal Bed Methane (CBM): Introduction; Origin / Methanation; Adsorption – Langmuir Model; Production; Global and Indian scenario.

Underground Coal Gasification (UCG): Gasification – UCG and SCG; Basic Chemistry; Advantages and Disadvantages; Indian Scenario.

Coal Liquefaction: Liquefaction – Processes; Advantages and Disadvantages; Indian Scenario.

### Unit 3: Petroleum

Chemical composition and physical properties of crudes in nature

Origin of petroleum: favourable geological conditions, source material, maturation of organic matter - Biogenic and Thermal effect; Kerogen: types and relation to the origin of petroleum hydrocarbons

### Unit 4: Petroleum system

Source rock: general attributes

Reservoir rocks: general attributes and petrophysical properties

Cap rocks: definition and general properties.

Migration of petroleum hydrocarbons

Hydrocarbon traps: definition, anticlinal theory and trap theory

Classification of hydrocarbon traps: structural, stratigraphic and combination

Time of trap formation and time of hydrocarbon accumulation.

Petroliferous basins of India

### Unit 5: Other fuels

Shale Gas: Formation; Properties; Advantages and Disadvantages; Indian Scenario.

Gas Hydrate: Potentials and Importance; Occurrence of Gas Hydrate and Controls on Gas Hydrate occurrence; Stability of gas hydrates; Advantages and Disadvantages; Indian Scenario.

Nuclear Fuel: Types of Nuclear Reactions; Fuel Types – Uranium, Zirconium, Thorium and Beryllium; Geochemistry of U and Th; Important minerals and types of U and Th deposits, Nuclear raw material resources of India; Usage of nuclear energy.

## PRACTICAL

Study of hand specimens of coal; Isopach and Isolith Maps; Outcrop completion, fault and borehole problems; Seismic profile interpretation; Preparation of Panel and Fence diagrams

### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Thomas, L., 2020. *Coal Geology*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. Wiley-Blackwell
2. Suarez-Ruiz, I. and Crelling, J.C., 2008. *Applied Coal Petrology – The Role of Petrology in Coal Utilization*. Academic Press
3. Chandra D., 2007. *Chandra's Textbook on Applied Coal Petrology*. Jijnasa Publishing House
4. Chandra, D., Singh, R.M. and Singh, M.P., 2000. *Textbook of Coal (Indian Context)*. Tara Book Agency, Varanasi
5. Diessel, C.F.K., 1992. *Coal-Bearing Depositional Systems*. Springer
6. Francis, W., 1964. *Coal its Formation and Composition*. Edward Arnold
7. Singh, M.P., 1998. *Coal and Organic Petrology*. Hindustan Publ. Corp., New Delhi.
8. Ward, C.R., 1984. *Coal Geology and Coal Technology*. Blackwell Science
9. Thakur, P., Schatzel, S.J., Aminian, K., Rodvelt, G., Mosser, M.H., D'Amico, J.S., 2020. *Coal Bed Methane – Theory and Applications, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*. Elsevier
10. Flores, R.M., 2014. *Coal and Coalbed Gas – Fueling the Future*. Elsevier
11. Singh, Ajay Kumar and Hajra, Partha Narayan, 2018. *Coalbed Methane in India – Opportunities, Issues and Challenges for Recovery and Utilization*. Springer
12. Letcher, T.M., 2020. *Future Energy – Improved, Sustainable and Clean Options for our Planet, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. Elsevier
13. Bell, D.A., Towler, B.F. and Fan, M., 2011. *Coal Gasification and Its Applications*. Elsevier
14. Massey, L.G., 1973. *Coal Gasification*. American Chemical Society
15. Whitehurst, D.D., 1980. *Coal Liquefaction Fundamentals*. American Chemical Society
16. Shelly R.C., 2014. *Elements of Petroleum Geology, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. Academic Press
17. Bjorlykke, K., 1989. *Sedimentology and Petroleum Geology*. Springer
18. Tissot, B.P. and Welte, D.H., 1984. *Petroleum Formation and Occurrence*. Springer
19. Levorsen, A.I., 2004. *Geology of Petroleum*; CBS Publishers and Distributors, India
20. North, F.K., 1986. *Petroleum Geology*, Allen & Unwin
21. Bastia, R. and Radhakrishna, M., 2012. *Basin Evolution and Petroleum Prospectivity of the Continental Margins of India*. Elsevier
22. Doveton, J.H., 1986. *Log Analysis of Subsurface Geology*. Wiley-Interscience
23. Hobson, G.D., 1977. *Developments in Petroleum Geology*. Applied Science Publishers
24. Aswathanarayana, U., 1985. *Principles of Nuclear Geology*. Oxford
25. Boyle, R.W., 1982. *Geochemical Prospecting for Thorium and Uranium Deposits*. Elsevier
26. Dahlkamp, F.J., 1993. *Uranium Ore Deposits*. Springer-Verlag
27. Demirbas, A., 2010. *Methane Gas Hydrate*. Springer-Verlag
28. Durrance, E.M., 1986. *Radioactivity in Geology – Principles and Application*. Ellis Hoorwool

## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVES

Course Name: REMOTE SENSING AND GIS  
Course Code: BSCHGELDSE501  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

### THEORY

#### **Unit 1: Basics of Remote Sensing & Its Applications in Geosciences**

Basic concepts in remote sensing, electro-magnetic spectrum, Energy sources, energy interaction in the atmosphere, atmospheric windows, atmospheric effects on remotely sensed data, signatures in remote sensing, sensors and sensor platforms. Introduction to aerial photographs, history of aerial photography, aerial camera, types of aerial photographs, classification, principles of stereoscopic viewing, conditions and cause for stereovision. Aerial photography missions. Use of pocket and mirror stereoscope, scale of aerial photographs, stereoscopic parallax, relief displacement, measurement of height of objects. Aerial photo interpretation, photo-recognition elements, methods of photo-interpretation, advantages and limitations of aerial photographs. Remote Sensing from space: space crafts and sensors. Visual image interpretation of satellite imagery, image enhancement, digital analysis, preparation of thematic maps. Thermal Infrared remote sensing and microwave remote sensing for geological applications. Remote sensing satellites, Indian Remote Sensing Satellite programme.

#### **Unit 2: Digital Image Processing for Geological applications**

Introduction to Digital Image Processing and related Terminology. Tasks, Classification- Supervised and unsupervised classification, Feature extraction. Multi-scale signal analyses. Pattern recognition, projection, digital image processing techniques- Anisotropic diffusion, Hidden Markov models, Image editing, Image restoration, Linear filtering, Neural networks, Pixelation, Point feature matching, Principal components analysis, Self-organizing maps, Filtering, Digital Image Processing software.

#### **Unit 3: Geographic Information System in Geology**

Introduction to GIS, Components of GIS, Hardware & Software Requirements, Spatial databases and GIS, GIS and the art of digitizing, Geographic phenomena, Geographic object, Regular vs. Irregular tessellations, Triangulated Irregular Network, Topology and spatial relationships, Data input, Data output and visualization, Data storage, Query maintenance and spatial analyses, etc. Different types of vector data: point, line, polygon, Concept of topology. Raster data model and comparison with vector, Sourcing satellite data, Non-spatial data and their types, Georeferencing, Map projections, Applications of GIS, Limitations of GIS, Components of GPS.

### PRACTICAL

Aerial Photo interpretation, identification of sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks and various aeolian, glacial, fluvial and marine landforms  
Introduction to DIP and GIS softwares. Digital Image Processing exercises including analysis of satellite data in different bands and interpretation of various objects on the basis of their



spectral signatures, Creating a FCC from raw data, Registration of satellite data with a toposheet of the area  
Enhancing the satellite images; Generating NDVI images and other image ratio and its interpretation.  
Classification of images; DEM analysis: generating slope map, aspect map and drainage network map and its applications.

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Miller Victor C. Miller Calvin F., 1961. *Photogeology*, International Series in the Earth Sciences. McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc.
2. Drury S.A, 1990. *A Guide to Remote Sensing - Interpreting Images of Earth*. Oxford Science Publications, Oxford.
3. Sabins, F.F.Jr., 1978. *Remote Sensing Principles and Interpretation*, Freeman, Sanfrancisco.
4. Paine, D.P., 1986. *Aerial photography and image interpretation for resource management*, Wiley and Sons, New York.
5. Ramasamy, SM., 1999. *Trends in Geological Remote Sensing* - Rawat Publishers, Jaipur
6. Rolf, A. de, 2001. *Principles of Geographic Information Systems-An introductory textbook*. ITC Educational Textbook Series. Enschede, The Netherlands.
7. Lo C.P. and Albert K. W. Yeung, 2002. *Concepts and Techniques of Geographic Information System*. Prentice -Hall, India.
8. Heywood I, el., 2011. *An Introduction to Geographical Information Systems*. Pearson Education Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
9. Lillesand T.M. and Kiefer R.W., 2002. *Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation*, John Wiley and Sons, New Delhi.
10. Wilhelm Burger; Mark J. Burge, 2007. *Digital Image Processing: An Algorithmic Approach Using Java*. Springer.
11. R. Fisher; K Dawson-Howe; A. Fitzgibbon; C. Robertson; E. Trucco, 2005. *Dictionary of Computer Vision and Image Processing*. John Wiley.

Course Name: OCEANOGRAPHY AND MARINE GEOLOGY  
Course Code: BSCHGELDSE502  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

#### **THEORY**

##### **Unit 1: Introduction to the Oceans**

Oceanography - the concept, brief historical review; Origin of Ocean Basins; Physiography of the Ocean Floor

##### **Unit 2: Wind and Ocean Circulation**

Atmospheric Processes - Air Pressure, Coriolis Deflection, General Wind Circulation; Surface Ocean Currents; Deep-Ocean Circulation; Thermohaline Conveyer Belt - impact on Global Climate

### **Unit 3: Waves in the Ocean**

Properties of Ocean Waves; Wave Motions; Standing Waves, Internal Waves, Tsunamis

### **Unit 4: Tides**

Origin of the Tides, Equilibrium Model of Tides, Dynamic Model of the Tides; Tidal Currents

### **Unit 5: The Dynamic Shoreline**

Coastal Water Movement, Shoaling Waves and Refraction, Circulation in the Surf Zone; Beaches; Coastal Dunes; Barrier Islands; Deltas; Estuaries; Lagoons; Mangrove swamps; Anthropogenic impact on the Coastline

### **Unit 6: Marine Resources**

Types of marine resources; Physical, energy, biological and non-extractive resources; Mineral resources; Laws of the sea

## **PRACTICAL**

Term paper and group discussion and presentation on assigned topics

### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Gross, M. G., 1977. *Oceanography: A view of the earth*.
2. Pinet, Paul R., 2016. *Invitation to Oceanography*, Seventh edition. Jones & Bartlett Learning.
3. Webb, P., *Introduction to Oceanography*. Free Download at <http://rwu.pressbooks.pub/webboceanography>

Course Name: ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY

Course Code: BSCHGELDSE503

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

## **THEORY**

### **Unit 1: Introduction to Environmental Geology**

Definition of Environment; Earth as a System, Earth and Human Population - Population growth rate and Consequences, The Human Response to Hazards, Population Increase, Land Use Change, and Natural Hazards.

### **Unit 2: Natural Resources and Pollution**

Water Resources: A Brief Global Perspective, Water and Ecosystems, Surface Water, Groundwater, Interactions Between Surface Water and Groundwater, Consumption of Water and Emerging Global Water Shortages; Water Pollution: An Overview, Surface and Groundwater Pollution and Treatment, Water-Quality Standards, Wastewater Treatment.

Mineral Resources: Geology of Mineral Resources, Environmental Impact of Mineral Development, Mining and Toxicity, Recycling Mineral Resources, Minerals and Sustainability.

Energy Resources: Fossil and Nuclear Fuels - The Environmental Impact; Renewable Energy Sources, Conservation, Efficiency, and Cogeneration

### **Unit 3: Natural Hazards**

Hazard and Disaster: Natural Causes - Earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanism, Flood, Landslides and Subsidence, Coastal Hazards, Prediction, Preventive Measures and Anthropogenic Contributions

### **Unit 4: Global Climate**

Earth's Climate System; Major Controls on Global Climate; The Greenhouse Effect; Coupling of Global Change Processes: Ozone Depletion and Global Warming Consequences of Global Warming, Mitigation.

## **PRACTICAL**

Term paper and group discussion and presentation on assigned topics

### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Montgomery, C. W., 2011. *Environmental Geology*, Ninth Edition, McGraw-Hill.
2. Keller, E. A., 2012. *Introduction to Environmental Geology*, Fifth Edition, Prentice Hall.
3. Reichard, J. S., 2011. *Environmental Geology*, McGraw-Hill.

Course Name: INTRODUCTION TO GEOPHYSICS

Course Code: BSCHGELDSE504

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

## **THEORY**

### **Unit 1: Geology and Geophysics**

Interrelationship between geology and geophysics, Role of geological and geophysical data in explaining geodynamical features of the earth

### **Unit 2: General and Exploration geophysics**

Different types of geophysical methods - gravity, magnetic, electrical and seismic; their principles and applications

Concepts and Usage of corrections in geophysical data

### **Unit 3: Geophysical field operations**

Different types of surveys, grid and route surveys, profiling and sounding techniques  
Scales of survey, Presentation of geophysical data

### **Unit 4: Application of Geophysical methods**

Regional geophysics, oil and gas geophysics, ore geophysics, groundwater geophysics, engineering geophysics

**Unit 5: Geophysical anomalies**

Correction to measured quantities, geophysical anomaly, regional and residual (local) anomalies, factors controlling anomaly, and depth of exploration

**Unit 6: Integrated geophysical methods**

Ambiguities in geophysical interpretation, planning and execution of geophysical surveys

**PRACTICAL**

Anomaly and background- Graphical method  
Study and interpretation of seismic reflector geometry  
Problems on gravity anomaly

**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Prasaranga, M.B., 1975. *Outlines of Geophysical Prospecting - A manual for geologists by Ramachandra Rao*, University of Mysore, Mysore.
2. Exploration Geophysics - An Outline by Bhimasarikaram V.L.S., Association of Exploration Geophysicists, Osmania University, Hyderabad, 1990.
3. Dobrin, M.B., 1984. *An introduction to Geophysical Prospecting*. McGraw-Hill, New Delhi.
4. Telford, W. M., Geldart, L. P., & Sheriff, R. E., 1990. *Applied geophysics* (Vol. 1). Cambridge University Press.
5. University Press.
6. Lowrie, W., 2007. *Fundamentals of geophysics*. Cambridge University Press.
7. North, F.K., 1986. *Petroleum Geology*. Allen & Unwin

**SIXTH SEMESTER**

Course Name: ENGINEERING GEOLOGY  
Course Code: BSCHGELC601  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

**THEORY****Unit 1: Introduction**

Role of Engineering geologists in planning, design and construction of major man-made structural features

**Unit 2: Foundation treatment**

Grouting, Rock Bolting and other support mechanisms

**Unit 3: Intact Rock and Rock Mass properties**

Significance as Construction Material; Properties of Building Materials: Physical Properties; Compositions and Structures of Materials; Significance of Building or Dimension Stone: Roofing and Facing Materials; Armourstone; Crushed Rock - Concrete Aggregate; Road Aggregate; Gravels and Sands; Lime; Cement and Plaster; Clays and Clay Products.

#### **Unit 4: Rock Quality Designation (RQD)**

Concept, Mechanism and Significance of:

- a) Rock Structure Rating (RSR)
- b) Rock Mass Rating (RMR)
- c) Tunneling Quality Index (Q)

#### **Unit 5: Dams and Reservoirs**

Dam: Terminology associated with dams; Types of dams – Masonry, Gravity, Buttress, Arch and Earthen dams. Types of spillways. Causes of Dam failures; Case studies of dam construction and failures. Problems affecting Dams and their remedial measures. Geological, Geotechnical and Environmental considerations for selection of Dams and Reservoirs sites.

#### **Unit 6: Tunnel**

Tunnel: Different parts; Types; Geological investigations for site selection for Tunnel; Tunneling problems; Factors effecting excavation of rocks while Tunnelling; Effects of Fold, Fault, Bed Attitude on Tunnelling.

#### **Unit 7: Landslides**

Different parts of landslide body; Inducing Factors for Landslides; Role of Gravity and Water

#### **Unit 8: Earthquakes**

Causes, Factors and corrective / preventive measures, Predicting Earthquake, Locating Earthquake.

### **PRACTICAL**

Selection of sites using topographic maps for dams, tunnels, bridges and similar civil structures; Computation of reservoir area, catchment area, reservoir capacity and reservoir life; Merits, demerits & remedial measures based upon geological cross sections of project sites; Computation of Index properties of rocks; Evaluation of mechanical properties of concrete aggregates; Surveying related exercises; Computation of RQD, RSR, RMR and 'Q'

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Gangopadhyay, S., 2013. *Engineering Geology*, Oxford India
2. Bell, F.G., 2007. *Engineering Geology. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*. Elsevier
3. Gonzalez de Vallejo, L.I. and Ferrer, M., 2011. *Geological Engineering*. CRC Press
4. Bell, F.G., 2007. *Basic Environmental and Engineering Geology*, Whittles Publishing
5. Blyth, F.G.H. and de Freitas, M., 1984. *A Geology for Engineers*, Elsevier
6. Das, B.M., 2011. *Geotechnical Engineering Handbook*, J. Ross Publishing
7. Das, B.M., 2016. *Principles of Foundation Engineering. 8<sup>th</sup> Edition*, Cengage Learning
8. Fletcher, C.J.N., 2016. *Geology for Ground Engineering Projects*, CRC Press
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10. Goodman, R.E., 1993. *Engineering Geology: Rock in Engineering constructions*, John Wiley & Sons, New York
11. Hunt, R.E., 2005. *Geotechnical Engineering Investigation Handbook. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*, CRC Press
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13. Krynin, D.P. and Judd W.R., 1957. *Principles of Engineering Geology and Geotechnique*, McGraw Hill
14. Venkataramaiah, C., 2006. *Geotechnical Engineering. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*, New Age International, New Delhi
15. Waltham, T., 2009. *Foundations of Engineering Geology. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. Taylor & Francis
16. Smith, M.R., 1999. *Stone – Building Stone, Rock Fill and Armourstone in Construction*, Geological Society of London
17. Zhang, H., 2011. *Building Materials in Civil Engineering*, Woodhead Publishing
18. Duggal, S.K., 2008. *Building Materials., 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. New Age International, New Delhi

Course Name: HYDROGEOLOGY  
 Course Code: BSCHGELC602  
 (CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICAL-2)

## THEORY

### **Unit 1: Introduction and Basic Concepts**

Scope of hydrogeology and its societal relevance  
 Hydrologic cycle: precipitation, evapo-transpiration, run-off, infiltration and subsurface movement of water.  
 Rock properties affecting groundwater, Vertical distribution of subsurface water  
 Types of aquifer, aquifer parameters, anisotropy and heterogeneity of aquifers

### **Unit 2: Groundwater flow**

Darcy's law and its validity  
 Intrinsic permeability and hydraulic conductivity  
 Groundwater flow rates and flow direction  
 Laminar and turbulent groundwater flow

### **Unit 3: Well hydraulics and Groundwater Exploration**

Basic Concepts (drawdown; specific capacity etc.)  
 Elementary concepts related to equilibrium and non-equilibrium conditions for water flow to a well in confined and unconfined aquifers.  
 Surface-based groundwater exploration methods  
 Introduction to subsurface borehole logging methods

### **Unit 4: Groundwater chemistry**

Physical and chemical properties of water and water quality  
 Genetic classification of groundwater.  
 Sea water intrusion in coastal aquifers

### **Unit 5: Groundwater management**

Surface and subsurface water interaction  
 Groundwater level fluctuations  
 Geomorphic and geologic controls of groundwater.  
 Basic concepts of water balance studies, issues related to groundwater resources development and management  
 Rainwater harvesting and artificial recharge of groundwater  
 Brief idea about groundwater pollution and its mitigation

## PRACTICAL

Preparation and interpretation of water level contour maps and depth to water level maps  
Study, preparation and analysis of hydrographs for differing groundwater conditions  
Determination of hydraulic gradient / slope from water table depth data.  
Three-point problems and determination of groundwater flow direction.  
Numerical problems related to Hydrological Cycle, Well Hydraulics, Groundwater Flows etc.

### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Chahar, Bhagu R., 2015. *Groundwater Hydrology*. McGraw Hill Education (India)
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## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVES

Course Name: MINERAL EXPLORATION AND MINING

Course Code: BSCHGELDSE601

(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

### THEORY

#### **Unit 1: Mineral Resources**

Resource reserve definitions, Mineral resources in industries – historical perspective and present; brief overview of classification of mineral deposits with respect to processes of formation in relation to exploration strategies

#### **Unit 2: Prospecting and Exploration**

Principles of mineral exploration; Prospecting and exploration- conceptualization, methodology and stages; Sampling, subsurface sampling including pitting, trenching and drilling; Geochemical exploration

#### **Unit 3: Evaluation of data**

Evaluation of sampling data

Mean, mode, median, standard deviation and variance

#### **Unit 4: Drilling and Logging**

Core and non-core drilling

Planning of bore holes and location of boreholes on ground

Core-logging

#### **Unit 5: Reserve estimation**

Principles of reserve estimation, density and bulk density

Factors affecting reliability of reserve estimation

Reserve estimation based on geometrical models (square, rectangular, triangular and polygon blocks)

Regular and irregular grid patterns, statistics and error estimation

#### **Unit 6: Elements of Mining**

Surface Mining; Underground Mining; Mine Machinery; Mine Explosive; Rock Mechanics and Support System; Mine Ventilation; Mine Closure; Mining Software.

### PRACTICAL

Identification of anomaly

Concept of weighted average in anomaly detection

Geological cross-section

Models of reserve estimation

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Clark, G.B. 1967. *Elements of Mining*. 3rd Ed. John Wiley & Sons.
2. Arogyaswami, R.P.N. 1996 *Courses in Mining Geology*. 4th Ed. Oxford-IBH.
3. Moon, C.J., Whateley, M.K.G., Evans, A.M., 2006, *Introduction to Mineral Exploration*, Blackwell Publishing.



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5. Haldar, S.K., 2013. *Mineral Exploration: Principles and Applications*. Elsevier.

Course Name: CLIMATOLOGY  
Course Code: BSCHGELDSE602  
(CREDITS: THEORY-4, PRACTICALS-2)

## THEORY

### Unit 1: Climate system

Forcing and Responses; Components of the climate system; Climate forcing, Climate controlling factors; Climate system response, response rates and interactions within the climate system; Feedbacks in climate system

### Unit 2: Heat budget of Earth

Incoming solar radiation, receipt and storage of heat; Heat transformation; Earth's heat budget. Interactions amongst various sources of earth's heat

### Unit 3: Atmosphere - Hydrosphere

Layering of atmosphere and atmospheric Circulation; Atmosphere and ocean interaction and its effect on climate; Heat transfer in ocean; Global oceanic conveyor belt and its control on earth's climate; Surface and deep circulation; Sea ice and glacial ice

### Unit 4: Response of biosphere to Earth's climate

Climate Change: natural vs. anthropogenic effects; Humans and climate change; Future perspectives; Brief introduction to archives of climate change; Archive based climate change data from the Indian continent

### Unit 5: Orbital cyclicity and climate

Milankovitch cycles and variability in the climate; Glacial-interglacial stages; The Last Glacial maximum (LGM); Pleistocene Glacial-Interglacial cycles; Younger Dryas; Marine isotope stages

### Unit 6: Monsoon

Mechanism of monsoon; Monsoonal variation through time; Factors associated with monsoonal intensity; Effects of monsoon

## PRACTICAL

Study of distribution of major climatic regimes of India on map

Distribution of major wind patterns on World map

Preparation of paleogeographic maps (distribution of land and sea) of India during specific geological time intervals

Numerical exercises on interpretation of proxy records for paleoclimate

### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Rudiman, W.F., 2001. *Earth's climate: past and future*. Edition 2, Freeman Publisher.
2. Rohli, R.V., and Vega, A.J., 2007. *Climatology*. Jones and Barlett

3. Lutgens, F., Tarbuck, E., and Tasa, D., 2009. *The Atmosphere: An Introduction to Meteorology*. Pearson Publisher
4. Aguado, E., and Burt, J., 2009. *Understanding weather*.

**Course Name: MINE VISIT & FIELD ANALYSIS OF FOSSILIFEROUS  
SEDIMENTARY SUCCESSION**

**Course Code: BSCHGELDSE603**

(CREDITS: 6)

#### **FIELD WORK**

Mandatory Field Work for a minimum period of 7 days (on field)

##### **Unit 1: Mine Visit**

Onsite Study of underground and opencast mine including principles of underground mapping/ Bench mapping.

Mandatory Field Work for a minimum period of 7 days (on field)

##### **Unit 2: Study of Fossiliferous Sedimentary Succession**

Identification of strategic sections through field reconnaissance, acquisition of field data, erection of litholog and recording of fossil content, collection of representative samples, litholog correlation and preparation of fence diagram, Facies mapping.

#### **LABORATORY**

Preparation of thin section of rock samples, petrographic study, study of fossils

Reconstruction of depositional setting

**Course Name: RESEARCH PROJECT IN GEOLOGY (DISSERTATION)**

**Course Code: BSCHGELDSE604**

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The student will have to carry out one project work on specific geological problem. The problem must be field-based supplemented by laboratory studies. The result of the work has to be submitted in form of a thesis duly certified by the supervising teacher. The work will have to be presented before a board of Examiners (including external expert) in an open house seminar for final assessment.



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