

GEOG276 INTRODUCTION TO GEOMORPHOLOGY FALL 2019

0 hr 4 Instructj30

Department of Geography Information

Geography Department website <http://www.uvic.ca/socialsciences/geography>

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Geomorphology is the study of the surface of the Earth. What makes geomorphology different from the other earth science fields is that it is primarily rooted in the explanation of present landforms, though these surfaces may be ancient, and secondarily in active processes, processes that can be, at least theoretically, observed as they occur. From the perspective developed by studying the present, geomorphologists may seek to interpret the importance of past events on present landforms.

This course examines a variety of geomorphological processes and systems. The goal is to provide students with an appreciation of how the landscape around them formed and its continued evolution with particular focus on landscapes of British Columbia, Canada and western North America.

COURSE ORGANIZATION

Important Dates:

1. No Class Wednesday, September 4th, 2019.
2. First Class Tuesday, September 10th, 2019.
3. Mid-term Examination : Wednesday, October 16th, 2019. Short written answer examination in class period.
4. Reading Break: No class on November 12th and 13th, 2019.
5. Last Class: Wednesday, December 4th, 2019.
6. Final Examination : Two hour final exam with both short answers and essay type questions. The final examination will cover all aspects of the course, including the lab component and readings. Examinations end on Saturday, December 21, 2019. Do not make any firm travel plans until you know the date of the final exam.

Lectures:

Laboratory Exercises:

Labs will be used for completion of a variety of exercises designed to elaborate the lecture material. The labs are used to teach practical skills in geomorphology and will occasionally involve short field excursions. The laboratory sessions will be supervised by teaching assistants who will also be responsible for assessment of lab work. During the lab sessions, you may be asked to work and report in small groups. Details will be given to you in the lab sessions, including dates for handing in the graded reports. There is no laboratory manual for the course. You must complete and submit all the laboratory exercises to pass the course. Late assignments will be penalized at 25% per day.

Laboratory Schedule

-	No Lab Meeting	Week of September 4-6
-	No Lab Meeting	Week of September 9-13
-		Week of September

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