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Chapter 1

NATIONAL AND KAPODISTRIAN UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS

1.1 ADDRESS

Central Administration:
30 Eleftheriou Velizelou Av.
106 79, Athens, Greece

website: <http://www.uoa.gr>

NKUA on the map: <http://maps.uoa.gr>

1.2 OVERVIEW AND MISSION

The NKUA has recently celebrated 180 years as of its foundation and is the oldest university in Greece, as well as the higher education institution in the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean. Given its historical background and through the significant efforts of its human resources, the NKUA has attained recognition as a center of educational and scientific excellence.

The NKUA comprises eight Schools and offers a broad range of study areas; prospective students can choose among 33 undergraduate and 183 postgraduate study programs, as well as pursue doctoral and post-doctoral studies. 39,088 undergraduate students, 11,479 postgraduate students, 14,240 doctoral candidates and 5,654 foreign students pursue their studies and foundation of their careers at the NKUA; all these are taught by 2,104 Professors and other Research and Teaching Staff, and are supported by 1087 administrative and technical staff. The total area spanned by the university's teaching and research facilities is approximately 700,000 square meters.

The NKUA cares about, and to a considerable degree caters for the personal and professional success of its graduates and endeavours to make them highly employable and influential in their respective professional spheres. To this effect, the curricula of the NKUA's departments are constantly upgraded and educational/ research activities are aggressively pursued. Because the NKUA is a research university, all faculty members and researchers are continuously encouraged to push and expand the boundaries of knowledge in their respective fields of expertise. Students are also encouraged to participate and excel in Olympiads and international academic competitions; they are also invited to participate in educational and research activities conducted in the NKUA's laboratories, libraries, and museums.

The internationalization of the NKUS is a priority for both Rectoral Authorities and members of its Academic Community. Decades of cooperation with partner institutions from most European Union and other European countries as well as the participation in international organizations, associations and university networks, have led to a consistent development of the NKUA's international profile and its fundamental role in student and staff mobility. The NKUA strongly believes that cooperation be-

tween higher education institutes is essential to the strengthening of bilateral and multi-lateral relations between sovereign countries. The mobility activities foreseen by the ERASMUS+ program for the academic year 2018-19 are based on 655 Erasmus Agreements between the NKUA and 336 universities of 31 European countries. Finally and importantly, the NKUA is involved in 60 scientific cooperation agreements with universities of EU countries, the US, Canada, China, the Russian Federation, Japan, Australia, Israel, Jordan, Korea, Iran, Taiwan and others, as well as with high profile research centres such as CERN (Switzerland), INRIA (France) and A*STAR (Singapore).

1.2.1 SCHOOLS, DEPARTMENTS AND STUDY PROGRAMS

- The NKUA comprises 9 Schools and 43 Departments; detailed information can be found in:
 - https://en.uoa.gr/schools_and_departments/
- The NKUA offers 43 Undergraduate Study Programs; detailed information can be found in:
 - https://en.uoa.gr/studies/undergraduate_programs/
- The NKUA offers 187 Postgraduate Study Programs in addition to the PSP "Earth Sciences and the Geoenvironment". Information can be sought in:
 - https://en.uoa.gr/studies/postgraduate_programs/
- The NKUA offers several Postgraduate Study programs in languages other than Greek. For information please visit:
 - https://en.uoa.gr/studies/master_programs_in_various_languages/

1.2.2 PERSONNEL

- Professors (all ranks): 1,703
- Research associates and other teaching, laboratory and technical staff: 486
- Administrative staff: 1,095

1.2.3 STUDENTS

- 44,658 undergraduates
- 13,257 graduate students at Master level
- 8,015 Ph.D candidates

1.2.4 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- 5,795 Undergraduates
- 211 Graduate Students at Master level
- 121 Ph.D Candidates

1.2.5 ERASMUS+ STUDENT MOBILITY (2018 - 2019)

- 354 Incoming Students
- 755 Outgoing Students

1.3 LANGUAGE POLICIES

The official language of the University of Athens is Greek, which is the official language of the country, as well as one of the 23 languages of the European Union.

The language in which access to knowledge is achieved and the work language of the Postgraduate Programs that leads to obtaining a post graduate specialty degree or to acquiring a doctoral degree is Greek, except if the internal regulation of the Postgraduate Program makes provision for the use of other languages. The writing up of the doctoral dissertation for the Postgraduate Program or the dissertation for the doctoral degree may be realized in Greek or in another language, according to the internal regulations of the Program. The bibliography that is suggested and is currently used in the Postgraduate is in Greek and in other languages and for this reason, the knowledge of foreign languages by the prospective incoming students of the Postgraduate Program of the University of Athens is either obligatory or optional but desired.

1.3.1 TEACHING OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, within its instructive and broader educational scope, offers its students the possibility of acquiring, during their studies, the knowledge of one or more foreign languages, which constitute necessary tools for scientific fulfillment.

This important task of foreign language learning is accomplished by the Foreign Language Teaching Centre ('Didaskaleio') of the University of Athens.

Didaskaleio is an independent and autonomous academic teaching unit, which offers high-standard foreign language tuition.

At present, 22 foreign languages of all levels of competence, are being taught at Didaskaleio: English, Albanian, Arabic, Bulgarian, Czech, Chinese, Danish, Dutch, French, Finnish, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish and Turkish.

In addition, special programs are offered for those wishing to specialize in language skills: language laboratories, translation, law and medical terminology. More analytically:

- IELTS Course (International English Language Testing System) (three-hour sessions three times per week)
- Lab for Written and Spoken English; Levels B1-B2
- Lab for Spoken English (Debating-Public Speaking); Levels C1-C2
- English Lab for Academic Writing; Levels C1-C2
- Medical Terminology in English (Medical School Students - Doctors - Nursing Staff)
- Law Terminology in English
- Translation in the English and Greek Language; B2 level and above
- Lab for Spoken French; Levels B1-B2
- Law Terminology in French

- Institutions, Terminology and Translation of European Union Documents in French
- Lab for Written and Spoken German; Levels C1-C2
- Lab for Written and Spoken Spanish; Levels B2-C1
- Lab for Written and Spoken Italian (Levels B2-C1)

Lessons are conducted either in the city centre, or at the University Campus in Zografou and can be attended not only by home students but also by students of other Greek Universities or of Technological Institutes as well as by anyone interested since tuition fees are particularly low.

Upon successful completion of attendance, the Foreign Language Teaching Centre provides students with the following certificates: a Certificate of Attendance and a Certificate of Studies.

Address: Foreign Language Teaching Center, Hippokratous 7, 106 79, Athens

Telephone: 210-3688204, 210-3688232, 210-3688265, 210-3688266, 210-3688263

e-mail: info@greekcourses.uoa.gr

Website: <http://www.didaskaleio.uoa.gr/>

1.3.2 GREEK AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

The Modern Greek Language Teaching Centre of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens has been functioning since the 1950s, initially with a very limited number of students. In the decades that followed the number of students increased exponentially. The Modern Greek Teaching Centre is the largest of its kind in the world. Many of its graduates are today teachers of Modern Greek and Philology at Universities throughout the world, members of the diplomatic corps in their own countries, church leaders, renowned scientists, company managers, respected artists and business professionals.

The Teaching Centre is under the auspices of the Interdepartmental Programme for the Teaching of Modern Greek as a second/foreign language along with the similarly titled Master's Degree Programme of The Department of Philology and The Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology.

The aims of the Modern Greek Teaching Centre are as follows:

1. The teaching of Modern Greek as a second/foreign language;
2. The certification of the level of knowledge of Modern Greek as second/foreign language;
3. The exposure of foreigners to various facets and themes of the Greek culture;
4. Hands-on practical training of students of the Master's Degree Programme for the Teaching of Modern Greek as a second/foreign language.

Address: Modern Greek Language Teaching Center, University Campus, 157 84 Zografou

Telephone: 210-727 7672, 210 727 7971

E-mail: info@greekcourses.uoa.gr

1.4 ERASMUS+

Erasmus+ is the EU funding programme for education, training,

youth and sport 2014-2020. Erasmus+ combines previous funding programmes in the sector, including the Lifelong Learning Programme (Comenius, Leonardo, Erasmus, Grundtvig and Transversal Programmes), Youth in Action and five international cooperation programmes (Erasmus Mundus, Tempus, Alfa, Edulink and the programme for cooperation with industrialised countries. Erasmus+ supports the following main Actions:

- [Key Action 1: Learning Mobility of Individuals](#)
- [Key Action 2: Co-operation for Innovation and the Exchange of Good Practices](#)
- [Key Action 3: Support for Policy Reform](#)

For more information please consult the following web pages:

<https://www.iky.gr/en/discover-erasmus> (IKY - Erasmus National Agency in Greece), and

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node_en (European Commission)

Eligible countries are divided into two groups, Programme countries and Partner countries. Although Programme countries are eligible for all actions of Erasmus+, Partner countries can only take part in some, and are subject to specific conditions.

For more information, see:

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node/3_en

Switzerland at the moment is not participating in Erasmus+ programme on an equal footing with Member States (i.e. as a "Programme Country") but is enjoying the status of other third countries (i.e. as a "Partner Country") and is financing all incoming and outgoing mobilities.

For more, see: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/updates/20140128-participation-switzerland-erasmus-plus_en

The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens participates in the Erasmus+ programme having been awarded the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education: 31475-EPP-1-2014-1-GR-EPPKA3-ECHE

Institutional Erasmus Code: **G ATHINE01**

PIC NUMBER OF THE UNIVERSITY: **999643007**

Chapter 2

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND GEOENVIRONMENT

2.1 CONTACT INFORMATION

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Website: <http://www.geol.uoa.gr>

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The Department of Geology and Geoenvironment is a part of the School of Sciences. It is the oldest Earth Science establishment in Greece – its history can be traced to the establishment of the University in 1839. At present, it is also the biggest academic unit in which Earth Sciences are taught and comprises six departments covering a broad range of earth science subjects. The Department's objective is to prepare students for careers in environmental science, natural hazard assessment and mitigation, geotechnical engineering, exploration and exploitation of mineral and energy resources etc.; it also aims at promoting research that leads to academic careers in universities, research institutes and museums worldwide.

2.2 ADMINISTRATIVE FRAMEWORK

Competent organs for the administration of the Department are the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson, the Governing Board and the Assembly.

2.2.1 CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson are elected by the complement of the teaching, research, technical and administrative staff of the Department of a two-year terms. The Chairperson:

- a) Supervises the proper functioning of the Department and ensures the observance of the competent laws and regulations.
- b) Drafts the agenda of the Assembly, convenes and presides over the Assembly, appoints rapporteurs and ensures the implementation of the Assembly's resolutions.
- c) Drafts the agenda, convenes and presides over the Governing Board and ensures the implementation of its resolutions.
- d) Ensures the proper implementation of study programs and pertinent educational activities.
- e) Establishes committees and boards to study and handle the affairs and activities of the Department.
- f) Liaises the resolutions and decisions of the Assembly to the competent organs of the NKUA.
- g) Is responsible for keeping the record of scientific activity and publications of the Department.

h) Represents the Department in the Senate and liaises the deliberations and decisions of the Senate to the Department.

The Deputy Chairperson assumes the duties and responsibilities of the Chairperson in the event of his/her absence or impediment. If the Chairperson resigns or expires before the end of his term, the Deputy Chairperson assumes their duties until the end of the term.

2.2.2 GOVERNING BOARD

The Board of Directors consists of the Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson, the Directors of the Department's Sections, one representative of the Research and Teaching Staff and one representative of the Administrative and Technical Staff. The Board proposes to the Assembly issues of its competence and processes issues referred to it by the Assembly.

2.2.3 THE ASSEMBLY

The Assembly is the ultimate decision-making organ of the Department. The Assembly comprises faculty members (professors), the Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson the Directors of the Department's Sections, one one representative of the Research and Teaching Staff and one representative of the Administrative and Technical Staff and six representatives of the undergraduate and postgraduate students. The Assembly:

- a) Determines the general educational and research policy of the Department and the strategies of its development, always within the general framework of the guidelines set by the University and the School of Sciences.
- b) Supervises the implementation of the curriculum, assigns teaching duties approves textbooks and issues degrees and certificates of study.
- c) Negotiates with the Deanship of the School of Sciences, the organization of common curricula/studies between the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment and other Departments of the NKUA.
- d) Supervises the internal evaluation/accreditation of the Department.
- e) Initializes the process of creating/filling new staff positions and ensures due observance of the competent legislation and regulations during the process.
- f) Establishes committees and boards to study/handle the affairs and activities of the Department and decides upon their recommendations.

2.3 PREMISES

The Department is housed in the building complex of the Faculty of Sciences in Panepistimiopoli (see Appendix V). The premises occupy the southwest quadrant of the complex.

The Department has 3 large amphitheatres (A13, G10, ΦM) and 15 smaller classrooms (Γ1-Γ15) equipped with modern image projection and sound reproduction equipment, as well as internet connection. Laboratory space (rooms and halls) is also located in the premises of Academic Sections (see below). Computer rooms and dedicated software for studying, analyzing and processing geological data are also available. Plan views of the Department's premises can be found in Appendix V.

The Library of the Department is part of the Library of the School of Sciences and is housed in the building of the Department of Mathematics on the 1st and 2nd floor (Panepistimiopoli, Zografou). Information can be sought in telephone numbers 2107276599 and 2107276525 (secretariat) or by e-mail in sci@lib.uoa.gr and sci-loan@lib.uoa.gr (loans); the website is www.lib.uoa.gr/sci. Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 08:30-19:30, Sat-Sat: 09:30-14:30. The library remains closed on public holidays.

2.4 ACADEMIC SECTIONS

The Department is organized in 10 academic units comprising six Sections with their dependencies (Laboratories or Museums) and four independent Laboratories:

2.4.1 SECTION OF MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY

The Department of Mineralogy and Petrology addresses questions pertaining to the description, classification and formation of minerals and rocks. Special emphasis is put on mineral chemistry and structure as well as on igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic processes and their evolution in space and time. The social, environmental and health impact of rocks and minerals and the nature and consequences of volcanism are also examined in detail.

Specific research topics include:

- Geometrical properties and internal structure of crystals
- Formation, growth and systematic classification of minerals
- Generation, evolution and emplacement of magmas
- Volcanoes, their activity and products; volcanic hazards and their management
- Depositional and diagenetic processes, products and environments of sedimentary rocks; tectonic settings of sedimentary deposits; provenance analysis of siliciclastic rocks
- Metamorphism at spreading centers, subduction zones, collisional orogens and the deep interior of the Earth
- Physicochemical conditions and thermodynamic modelling of igneous and metamorphic reactions and processes
- Dating of geological processes through mineral and whole-rock isotopic techniques
- Environmental and applied mineralogy and petrology.
- Archaeometry – Conservation and restoration of monuments.
- Gemmology and medical geology.

Web address: <http://minpet.geol.uoa.gr/index.htm>

2.4.1.1 LABORATORY OF MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY

The *Laboratory of Mineralogy and Petrology* carries out basic and applied research and projects related to basic and applied research including the development of environmental and industrial applications. Its main activities include sampling and processing of rocks and minerals, determination of the internal structure of minerals, qualitative and quantitative determination of the chemical composition of rocks and minerals as well as chemical analyses of surface and subsurface fluids and gases. Determination of physical properties of geological samples such as crystal dimensions, shape, orientation, and intergrowth also takes place. In addition, the laboratory determines physical/mechanical properties of rocks and minerals and runs gemological analyses to examine the quality of precious and semiprecious stones. The infrastructure is available for research and education to undergraduate and postgraduate students and includes:

- Equipment for sample preparation (jaw crusher, cutting saw, lapping system, polishing system, mortar grinder, ball mill, hydraulic press (25T) and pellet press)
- Various bench top analytical instruments (pH-meter, conductivity meter, colorimeter, microhardness tester)
- X-Ray Diffractometer,
- ED & WD X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometers
- Direct Current Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometer,
- Transmitted-light polarizing microscopes equipped with digital cameras
- Dark room for Optically Stimulated Luminescence (infrared).

Web address:

http://minpet.geol.uoa.gr/MINPETesot_files/ergastiria.htm

2.4.2 SECTION OF HISTORICAL GEOLOGY AND PALAEOLOGY

The *Section of Historical Geology and Palaeontology* studies the scientific topics of Historical Geology, Stratigraphy, Palaeontology and Sedimentology, as well as many other more specialized topics, thus producing important scientific and educational work in the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment. These topics include:

- Invertebrate Palaeontology.
- Micropalaeontology
- Vertebrate Palaeontology, Palaeoanthropology, bone and teeth diagenesis
- Palaeobotany, Palynology
- Fossilization, geochronology, Archaeometry, geoarchaeology
- fossil conservation and preparation, museum studies, Enhancing of geological heritage
- Lithostratigraphy, biostratigraphy, chemostratigraphy, magnetostratigraphy, stratigraphy of alpine and metalpine formations, etc
- Palaeoecology, palaeoclimatology, evolutionary palaeoecology, palaeogeography
- Environmental micropalaeontology, palaeoenvironments
- Sedimentary basin analysis, Marine geology
- History and Philosophy of geosciences, didactics of Geosciences

All the above contribute to the knowledge concerning the evolution of life and biodiversity on the planet, the reconstruction of environmental conditions during the geological past, palaeogeography, climatic changes in older geological periods and their effect on living organisms, the use of microfossils as indices of environmental health in marine environments, monuments of Geological heritage. Palaeontological excavations are also conducted by our Section.

Web address: <http://geopal.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.2.1 LABORATORY OF HISTORICAL GEOLOGY AND PALAEOLOGY

The **Laboratory of Historical Geology and Palaeontology** is one of the oldest in the University. To this day, it plays a very important role in education and scientific research of the Section, in topics such as Palaeontology, Micropalaeontology, Stratigraphy, Sedimentology, Historical Geology, Palaeoecology and Ecos-tratigraphy. The Laboratory facilities include a modern thin section lab, a modern lab for the retrieval and preparation of fossils and microfossils as well as the conservation and creation of moulds/casts. There is also a modern lab for the analysis of sedimentary basins.

For the educational and research needs of the Section, the Laboratory also includes an e-teaching hall/room, with 24 computers and stereoscopes, 5 polarizing microscopes, three of which are connected to computers, and a Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) connected to an X-ray Microanalysis system (WDS).

The laboratory may provide the following services: a) thin sections of rocks, sediments and fossils; retrieval and preparation of fossils; construction of fossil casts, b) identification of nano-, micro-, macro- fossils, c) analysis of sediments and sedimentary environments with applications in Hydrocarbon and water resources research, d) analysis of texture, composition, granulometry and identification of inorganic and organic composites of sediments, e) preparation of samples for C, O and S stable isotope analysis in sediments, f) digital logging and mapping of aqueous floors, g) stereotransportation (sedimentation) and hydrodynamic parameters measurements and h) protection of Geological Heritage.

Web address: <http://labgeopal.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.3 SECTION OF GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATOLOGY

The **Section of Geography and Climatology** (SGC) deals with earth surface processes, both terrestrial and marine. It hosts the Laboratory of Physical Geography (LPG) and the Laboratory of Climatology and Atmospheric Environment (LACAE). It offers the Postgraduate course of "Geography and Environment", since 1991; it is also involved in the Postgraduate program "Oceanography and Management of Marine Environment" since 1978 (School of Sciences). The SGC has participated in several national and international (mostly European) research programmes (e.g. MATER, CINCS, PDTD, INTERREG IIIB-CADSES, CAVESNETWORK - INTERREG III C., COST Action C22, INTERREG III B ARCHIMED (ARISTHOT), INTERREG IIIB (MEDOCC), IKYDA and has hosted a Marie-Curie fellowship.

Research topics include:

- The recent geomorphological and geological evolution of the terrestrial and seabed surface.

- The atmosphere and climate change, the processes of extreme weather/climate events and their adverse effects on the natural and social environment
- Coastal and inland waters with emphasis on the management and utilization of aquatic systems
- Coastal erosion and sea level rise effects
- Desertification phenomena and the environmental consequences of extensive forest fires
- The study, analysis, assessment and management of natural hazards and mitigation of impacts
- The management of complex environmental problems of habitats and of the coastal zone
- The development of techniques for digital analysis and modelling of geomorphological processes
- The study, protection and promotion of karst forms
- Land-use planning and regional planning, from a geographical-geomorphological point of view

Web address: geogclim.geol.uoa.gr

2.4.3.1 LABORATORY OF CLIMATOLOGY AND ATMOSPHERIC ENVIRONMENT

The **Laboratory of Climatology and Atmospheric Environment** (LACAE) specialises in the study of climate change on various time and space scales, urban climatology, studies on the ozone layer, measurements of ultraviolet radiation, meteorological parameters and air quality, climatic effects from aircraft emissions and impacts of weather/climate variability and air quality on human health. The members of LACAE have long experience in teaching in undergraduate and postgraduate courses and have supervised many undergraduate and postgraduate theses in the fields of climatology and the atmospheric environment. It is equipped with:

- One Brewer MK IV monochromator measuring columnar amounts of ozone, SO₂ and NO₂.
- Two Yankee UV-B instruments measuring solar erythemal doses
- Instruments measuring atmospheric pollution (CO, CO₂, NO₂, PM)
- A complete autonomous/automatic meteorological station.
- A portable meteorological station

Web address: <http://lcae.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.3.2 LABORATORY OF PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

The **Laboratory of Physical Geography** (LPG) deals with air-sea-land interactive processes forming the earth's surface morphology (sub-aerial and sub-aqueous), i.e. river deltas, beach zones, fluvial geomorphology, morphotectonic processes, karstification, aeolian processes, geoarchaeological studies, coastal indicators of relative sea level changes, climate change (past, present and future), coastal oceanography, sediment dynamics, photogeology, remote sensing and GIS applications.

It is equipped with:

- autonomous driller of fine-grained sediments,
- sieving analysis (dry and wet),
- autonomous continuous recording tidal gauge,
- manual operated current meter
- thermo-salino-meter,
- portable weather stations,

- GPS
- Tachymeter
- Software: SPS (statistics), MATLAB (incl. fuzzy logic tools), ERDAS (analysis of satellite images) CEDAS (nearshore hydrodynamics), DAVIS (weather station software), ArcGIS (handling, interpreting, presenting geo-data).

Web address: <http://pg.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.4 SECTION OF GEOPHYSICS AND GEOTHERMY

The *Section of Geophysics and Geothermy* was established in 1983, as successor to the Chair of Seismology (est. 1931) and the Laboratory of Seismology (est. 1929). The Section underwent rapid and multi-faceted development during the last 25 years, keeping pace with the corresponding rapid development of geophysics and Seismology at the international level. This, in turn has led to the establishment of a second dependent laboratory, the Laboratory of Geophysics (1999).

Throughout its long history, the Section has accumulated extensive experience in practically all aspects of pure and applied geophysics by teaching and researching topics such as: Theoretical and Applied Geophysics, Physics of the Earth's interior, Earth System science, mineral and energy resource prospecting, Engineering and Environmental Geophysics, Seismology, Engineering and Historical Seismology, Seismotectonics and Geodynamics, Physics of the earthquake source, Geomagnetism, Palaeomagnetism, Physical Volcanology and Geothermics, Remote Sensing, Satellite Geodesy and space-borne applications to Earth Sciences and Earth system Science. It has also developed intensive cooperation with numerous international research establishments and academic institutions.

The Section offers under- and post-graduate courses in geophysics, seismology, environmental science and natural disaster analysis, assuming an integrated approach towards the earth system sciences. The educational, research and other activities of the Section of Geophysics are thoroughly presented in the web pages of the Section and its dependent laboratories (see below).

Web address: <http://www.geophysics.geol.uoa.gr/>

2.4.4.1 LABORATORY OF GEOPHYSICS

The mission of the *Laboratory of Geophysics* (est. 1999) is:

- To provide high level practical training (laboratory and field exercises) and modern analytical skills, as part of the geophysics courses offered by the Section, at the under- and post-graduate levels.
- To support research with state-of-the-art instrumentation and analytical facilities.
- To offer advanced geophysical services to public and private sector patrons, requiring the application of state-of-the-art or cutting edge technologies.

During the recent few years, significant effort has been directed towards the development of modern/high resolution exploration technologies and geophysical data analysis software. The hitherto, teaching and research activities of Laboratory can be summarized as follows:

- Methodological developments in near-surface and deep geophysical exploration methods.
- Environmental and Engineering geophysics

- Geothermal and other energy resource exploration
- Mineral resource prospecting.
- Physics of the Earth's interior – determination and analysis of Earth structure at all depth scales.
- Physics of the earthquake source and earthquake prediction
- Geomagnetism, Geoelectromagnetism and Palaeomagnetism
- Space borne applications in the Earth Sciences and Geodynamics (DGPS, SAR/DINSAR, thermal imaging etc.).
- Geophysical software development.
- Earth System Science.

The Laboratory has developed multiple cooperative ties with corresponding national and international research establishments and academic institutions. It is also actively involved in outreach and dissemination of scientific information by organizing seminars, symposia and lectures for scientists and the general public. Moreover, it offers a broad range of geophysical services to public and private sector establishments, with particular reference to engineering and environmental applications, mineral and groundwater resource prospecting and geothermal prospecting.

Web address: <http://geophysicslab.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.4.2 LABORATORY OF SEISMOLOGY

The *Laboratory of Seismology* was established in 1929 in order to contribute to the education of students attending the Faculties of Physics and Natural Science, as well as in monitoring and researching the seismicity of Greece.

The Scientific and Technical Staff of the Laboratory has frequently been commended by Civil Authorities and the University Administration for its immediate response and major contribution in the relief operations and research of major destructive earthquakes. Their expertise is reflected in numerous publications, a multitude of research and civil protection programmes, extensive collaboration with international research and educational establishments and consultancies of public and private sector companies.

The Laboratory maintains the state-of-the-art ATHENET network, comprising 32 stations in Central Greece and the Cyclades (real time seismicity at [Follow this link](#)). It also possesses an extensive inventory of seismometric and accelerometric equipment, as well as data analysis facilities.

The principal teaching and research activities of the Laboratory are:

- Seismicity monitoring.
- Engineering Seismology and earthquake hazard analysis (including microzonation, vulnerability analysis and strong ground motion analysis,).
- Physics of the earthquake source and earthquake prediction.
- Seismotectonics, Geodynamics and Earth System Science.
- Macroseismology, Historical Seismology and Archaeoseismology.
- Preparedness and protection against earthquake disasters, including the training of students, schools and the general public at the SEISMOPOLIS earthquake simulation centre

Web address: http://dggsl.geol.uoa.gr/en_index.html

2.4.5 SECTION OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY AND GEOCHEMISTRY

Economic Geology and Geochemistry combines the study of geology of ore deposits and geochemistry to describe and understand the processes of mineral resource formation as well as to quantify the environmental impact of mineral and energy resource exploitation. Research in the Section is also focused on the development of techniques and solutions related to sustainable production of mineral resources, quality control of industrial raw materials and assessment of contaminated land and water.

Research topics include:

- Exploration and assessment of mineral resources
- Baseline geochemistry of soils and water
- Biogeochemical processes related to ore deposits
- Environmental impact of mining activities
- Use of mineral resources for environmental protection
- Recycling of by-products from metal mining and metallurgy
- Soil and water pollution assessment and management
- Sustainable reclamation of polluted grounds
- Urban Geochemistry

Web address:

http://geochem.geol.uoa.gr/index_gr.htm

2.4.5.1 LABORATORY OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY AND GEOCHEMISTRY

The **Laboratory of Economic Geology and Geochemistry** supports and facilitates research activities involving sampling and chemical analysis as well as mineralogical analysis of a variety of geological samples (rocks, minerals, ores, soil, sediment, water etc.). Laboratory infrastructure includes:

- Manually operated systems for sample and microscopy specimen preparation (crushing, screening and splitting bulk samples, pulverizing and homogenizing subsamples to prepare them for chemical analysis; thin and polished section preparation)
- Chemical laboratory equipped with various instruments for sample dissolution, microwave digestion, leaching experiments, filtration, high temperature sample treatment, sample storage and incubation etc.
- Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy unit operated in flame and graphite furnace modes
- Scanning Electron Microscopy unit equipped with a SEM-EDS microanalysis system
- X-Ray Diffraction unit
- Flame photometer
- Bench -top and portable spectrophotometers
- Optical microscopes
- Fluid inclusion- microthermometry unit equipped with optical microscope and digital monitor

Web address: http://geochem.geol.uoa.gr/lab_gr.htm

2.4.6 SECTION OF DYNAMIC, TECTONIC AND APPLIED GEOLOGY

The Section studies the dynamic interior of the Earth. To this effect, it collects geological data and develops new tools for their

analysis and interpretation, complemented by numerical modeling and use of digital technology. The research and educational interests and activities of the Section span a wide range of topics including tectonics and structure of the Earth's crust and lithosphere, seismic hazard, dynamics of plates, engineering geology, hydrogeology, environmental geology and natural disasters. The educational curriculum offered by the Section includes, besides classroom lectures and exercises, a wide range of field exercises which, together with the field course of geological mapping, provide students with the necessary foundations and experience for subsequent scientific development.

Through a wide network of collaborations, both at the national and international level, with educational and research institutions, the Section has developed interdisciplinary research activities, funded mainly by EU research grants and the wider public sector (Ministries, Prefecture and Local Authorities etc.). Many of these programs are innovative and have enjoyed international recognition. Research topics include:

- Development of geotectonic maps (both conventional and offshore),
- Restoration of Uncontrolled Waste Disposal Sites,
- Water Resources Management,
- Geotechnical design of large scale infrastructure projects (roads, dams, foundations of buildings, industrial plants, oil pipelines and natural gas, etc.) in Greece and abroad.

2.4.6.1 LABORATORY OF TECTONICS AND GEOLOGICAL MAPPING

The **Laboratory of Tectonics and Geological Mapping** covers the educational and research needs of the Section and the Department in the fields of Tectonics, Structural Geology, Geological Mapping, Hydrology, Hydrogeochemistry and Soil and Rock Mechanics. Within this frame we develop educational curricula and conduct basic and applied research; cooperate and exchange scientific knowledge with other academic or research institutions from Greece and abroad; organize seminars, symposia, conferences, and lectures; provide services to external bodies from the public and the private sector.

Ample laboratory space is available for various activities including full IT support supplemented by modern computing and printing facilities, testing of physical and mechanical properties of rocks and soils and chemical analysis of water samples. Available equipment includes a variety of instruments for field research, a total station, auger corers, triaxial, uniaxial, point and unimpeded loading apparatuses, rock sample corer, portable stations for chemical analysis of water samples, turbidity meters, groundwater samplers, etc. Efforts are constantly made for the upgrading of the existing infrastructure.

2.4.7 LABORATORY OF REMOTE SENSING

The **Laboratory of Remote Sensing** (LRS) was established in order to meet the educational and research requirements of the Department of Geology during the early 1990's. Its research interests expand in the fields of modern space-borne Earth Observation Systems associated with the disciplines of Geodesy (Satellite Geodesy), Surveying, Photogrammetry, Digital Cartography and Remote Sensing. In general, the purpose and function

of the LRS within the University of Athens and the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment, is the following:

1. To satisfy under- and post-graduate educational requirements of the Department.
2. To develop teaching and research curricula for the post-graduate study programmes.
3. To pursue basic and applied research aiming at:
 - 2.1. The development of techniques and applications associated with the Country's needs,
 - 2.2. The creation of opportunities for collaboration between the Academic staff and the Industry,
 - 2.3. To pursue and promote collaborative research between researchers of Hellenic Universities and Research Institutions,
 - 2.4. To provide services in accordance with Law 159/1984.

Current activities of the LRS members, include GPS measurements and Radar Interferometry (both conventional and advanced InSAR (PS and Stacking), including satellite imaging analysis (LANDSAT, ASTER, IKONOS, QUICKBIRD) and Orthorectification.

2.4.8 LABORATORY FOR PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL DISASTERS

The *Laboratory on Prevention and Management of Natural Hazards* was established in 2003 within the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment of the University of Athens. The Laboratory participates in a number of research projects financed by national, European or other international and bilateral organizations. Current activities focus on emergency planning, development of action plans, seismic hazard, tsunamis, forest fires, floods, landslides and volcanic hazard. The scientific activities of the Laboratory include the organization of seminars, lectures, symposia and related disseminating scientific activities involving the scientific as well as the social sector. It is an educational and research unit utilized by the undergraduate students of The Department and the Postgraduate Studies Programme on Prevention and Management of Natural Hazards.

Web address: <http://labnathaz.geol.uoa.gr>

2.4.9 LABORATORY AND CENTRE OF MUSEUM RESEARCH

The laboratory was founded in 2007, and it assists the research and teaching activities of NKUA on museum studies. The laboratory aims to assist the relevant research projects and teaching activities of the undergraduate and postgraduate programmes of the NKUA courses of the University of Athens. It further aims to the development of the museums of the NKUA, through specialized studies and services. The laboratory promotes the collaboration between the members of the Faculties of the NKUA and the Department of Conservation of Antiquities and Works of Art of the University of West Attica. The laboratory is located at the facilities of the Postgraduate Studies Program of Museum Studies, at the University Campus (Panepistimiopoli).

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2.4.10 MUSEUM OF PALAEOLOGY AND GEOLOGY

The *Museum of Palaeontology and Geology* is hosted by the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment. It has a rich collections of vertebrate and invertebrate animal, as well as plant fossils from Greece and abroad. It conducts scientific surveys and excavations throughout the country constantly enriching its collections. It is open daily for school visits and the public and also offers guided tours. The Museum, in collaboration with the local authorities, operates an Annex at Vryssa (Polychnitos, Lesvos Island, Greece). The Annex houses local natural history collections including unique findings such as mammoths, rhinoceroses, antelopes, gazelles, giant tortoises, oversized horses etc.

The Museum of Palaeontology and Geology is hosted in the building of the Department of Geology and Geoenvironment at the University Campus (Panepistimiopoli).

Although the Museum was founded in 1906, its history can be traced back to 1858 with the foundation of the Natural History Museum of Athens. Its current collection includes fossil vertebrates and invertebrates from Greece, historical specimens, comparative zoological and teaching specimens. It includes approximately 100,000 specimens, making it the largest collection of fossils in Greece. Its main exhibition includes fossils vertebrates from Pikermi, Peloponnesus and Crete.

The museum conducts scientific surveys and excavations throughout the country constantly enriching its collections. It is open daily for school visits and the public and also offers guided tours. The Museum, in collaboration with the local authorities, operates an Annex at Vryssa (Polychnitos, Lesvos Island, Greece). The Annex houses local natural history collections including unique findings of Early Pleistocene vertebrates.

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2.4.11 MUSEUM OF MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY

The rock and mineral collections of *Mineralogy and Petrology Museum* were assembled by the Physiographic Society (est. 1835). They are exhibited in a gallery of 1100 m² at the premises of the Department. They are not only the oldest in Greece, but also include rare specimens of interest to the international community. The museum is open daily for schools and the general public and also offers guided tours.

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Chapter 3

ORGANIZATIONAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

3.1 SUMMARY

The PSP “Sciences of the Earth and the Environment” operates as of academic year 2018, according to decision 772/29/07/2018 απόφαση of the Senate of NKUA, published in the Part B’ issue 3434/17/08/2018 of the Government Gazette, and is subject to the Regulation of Studies approved by decision 837/2/7/2018 of the Senate of the NKUA and published in Part B’ issue 4003/17/09/2018 of the Government Gazette.

The PSP “Sciences of the Earth and the Environment” awards a **Diploma of Postgraduate Studies (DPS)** in the Specializations:

1. **Applied Geology - Geophysics.**
2. **Mineral Resources- Petrology and Environmental Management.**
3. **Climatic Variations and Impact on the Environment**

Duration: 4 academic semesters – 2 academic years

ECTS credits: 30 per semester; 120 total.

National and European Qualifications Framework: Level 7

Field of Education (ISCED – F):

0521 Environmental sciences

0532 Earth sciences

Scope and objectives: The Modern Era is characterized by rapid economic and technological development, rapid growth of population and population movement/immigration, as well as increasing urbanization. Such conditions entail an increase in the demand of raw materials and energy resources, increased construction activities, generalize environmental degradation and increased exposure to natural and technological risks. Earth Sciences are called to contribute in the confrontation of the complex problems arising thereof while acknowledging that their understanding, as well as the safeguarding of sustainable development demands a broad and trans-disciplinary perception of science together with a comprehensive combination of knowledge and skills. With these principles in mind, the PSP “Earth Sciences and the Environment” is designed to address the necessity of producing highly qualified scientific personnel that can successfully cope with the complexity of the problems arising in every sector of contemporary activity and concern Earth Sciences and the Environment.

- Measurement, research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using appropriate technologies.
- Self-contained (individual/autonomous) work.
- Advancement of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Decision making.
- Teamwork.
- Respect for the natural environment.
- Application of knowledge/skills to the solution of problems.

- Trans-disciplinary scientific work.
- Creative thinking and ability to convert theoretical concepts into practical results.
- Adaptation to new conditions and situations.
- Project design and management.
- Critical thinking and constructive self-appraisal.
- Generation of new ideas in pure and applied research.

Attendance: Full time only.

Grading scale: The DPS is graded on a 0 to 10 scale and follows:

Excellent (8,5-10)

Very well (6,5-8,49)

Well (5-6,49)

Obligatory or selective mobility window: Not foreseen

Internship Program: Presently not available.

Director: Prof. Dr. Harikleia Drinia

Professional profile of graduates: Graduates can be employed in a very broad spectrum of private and public sector enterprises, as well as in relevant to their specialty positions in organizations/services of the central or decentralized government.

Access to further studies: Graduates are entitled to apply for Level 7 and Level 8 postgraduate programs

3.2 ADMINISTRATIVE FRAMEWORK

Competent organs for the administration of the PSP in hierarchical order are:

4. **The Assembly of the Department** (henceforth “The Assembly”).
5. **The Coordination Committee (CC)**, staffed by 5 members of The Department appointed by The Assembly for a two-year term. Members of the CC offer their services *pro bono*. Chairman of the CC is the Director of the PSP and can serve for a maximum of two terms (four years). The CC is responsible for the seamless administration of the PSP and its duties include:
 - a. To allocate teaching duties.
 - b. To draft and propose to The Assembly, the composition of the five-member ad hoc Selection Boards assigned with the evaluation of applications by prospective Postgraduate Students. In addition, to administer the evaluation process, compile the list of eligible applicants and submit it to The Assembly for final approval.
 - c. To propose to The Assembly the assignment of Advisors to newly admitted students.
 - d. To propose to The Assembly, the Supervisor and Examination Boards of Postgraduate Dissertations.

- e. To examine, evaluate and propose to The Assembly the solution of student issues, such as applications for exemption from fees, suspension or extension of studies, recognition of courses from previous postgraduate studies, replacement of courses of this PSP with courses of other postgraduate programs etc.
 - f. To examine issues concerning the dematriculation of postgraduate students according to the provisions of Art. 5, Par. 6 of Art. 7 and Par. 14-16 of Article 8 of the Regulation of Studies.
 - g. To define the criteria and procedure by which the students may evaluate the performance of the teaching and support staff and the quality of the courses and services provided by the PSP, always in compliance with the existing legal framework and the established practice of The Department, and submit them to the Assembly for approval.
6. **The Director of the PSP** is a member of The Department at the level of Professor or Associate Professor. He is also Chairman of the CC and is appointed by The Assembly together with the Deputy Director. He cannot serve more than two consecutive two-year terms and is expected to offer his services *pro bono*. The Director:
- a. Convenes the CC and drafts the agendas of CC sessions.
 - b. Organizes the appropriate procedures for the selection or election of the Committees and Boards of the PSP.
 - c. Is responsible for drafting the budget and performance reports of the PSP and to liaise all relevant information and documentation to The Assembly for approval.
 - d. Is responsible for supervising and approving all expenses made in the context of the PSP and ensuring faithful adherence to the budget.
 - e. To draft, upon expiration of his and the CC's term, a detailed performance report of the research and educational work, as well as of all other activities conducted in the context of the PSP. Objective of the report is the improvement/upgrade of educational procedures, improvement in the use of infrastructures and improvement in the deployment of teaching and research staff.
7. **The Deputy Director of the PSP** is a member of The Department at the level of Professor or Associate Professor, as well as member of the CC. He is appointed by The Assembly and assumes the duties of the Director whenever he is unavailable.
8. The seamless operation of the PSP is supported by the *Secretariat of the PSP* (henceforth "Secretariat") which is located in the premises of The Department and is supervised by the Secretariat of The Department.

3.3 PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS

Admissible students are primarily graduates of Earth Science schools from Greece, as well as graduates of *accredited* foreign Earth Science schools *recognized* by the Hellenic National Academic Recognition Information Centre (NERIC, <http://www.doatap.gr/en/index.php>). Admissible are also graduates of relevant or complementary to Earth Sciences schools,

either Greek or foreign accredited and recognized by NERIC. Non-exclusive example of the latter class of admissible students are Physicists, Chemists, Oceanographers, Biologists, Geographers, Archaeologists, Topographers, Civil Engineers, Mining Engineers, Environmentalists, Environmental Engineers, Agricultural Engineers etc.

Applications are accepted from all who have graduated, or certifiably completed their studies up to, and including the deadline set for the submission of applications.

The maximum number of admissions is set to forty-five (45) per academic year. Each Specialization admits up to fifteen (15) students. The number of students in one Specialization can be increased to eighteen (18) at most, if and only if there are fewer than fifteen admissions in other Specializations and strictly up to the completion of the maximum number of admissions.

3.4. ADMISSION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE

Those interested in submitting an application for admission to the PSP should carefully note the following prerequisites and criteria.

1. **Only** one application for **only** one specialization is possible.
2. Eligible candidates should be able to demonstrate undergraduate *or* (previous) postgraduate degree ranking at the top 35% of the scale by which their institution of origin ranks its graduates or, equivalently, Level C of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). For example, Greek institutions rank their graduates on a scale from 5 to 10; therefore, Greek candidates must have a grade of at least 6.5/10 in order to be eligible. Failure to meet this requirement constitutes *incontestable presumption* for the rejection of an application. It is also to be emphasized that the rank or grade of the first degree has increased specific gravity and weighs by approx. 30% in the final decision on the application.
3. Eligible applicants should be able to demonstrate functional knowledge of the English language (level B2 and above). Applicants are thus required to submit copies of their relevant titles and/or certificates. These include certificates from accredited English speaking secondary schools and degrees from accredited English speaking institutions of higher education. Applicants without official titles/ certificates are entitled to request certifications of their working knowledge of English by written and oral tests in front of an ad hoc Board appointed by The Department
4. Knowledge of a second or more languages is desirable and is taken into consideration. However, these languages should have been extensively used in the international scientific literature and can *only* be one or more of the following: French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Japanese and Chinese Mandarin.
5. The personality and composure of the candidates, as is appraised by a personal interview in front of a student selection board, weighs heavily. In order to be eligible for admission, an applicant should be able to *secure* at least one third 1/3 of the maximum credit points allocated for the interview, which is 100 credit point, or 10% of the maximum number of credit points (see Appendix I of the Guide). Fail-

ure to do so constitutes *incontestable presumption* for the rejection of an application.

In addition to the above, the following credentials and qualifications weigh significantly and may decide the outcome of an application:

- Additional studies or training demonstrated by appropriate certificates, diplomas or awards. These include professional/technical seminars, professional/technical studies and undergraduate/postgraduate degrees from accredited universities.
- Research activity (if any), demonstrated by publications in scientific journals and conference proceedings, certificates of participation in conferences and officially documented participation in research projects.
- Professional experience formally certified by former employers or/and documentation from private or public professional pension funds. Experience in Earth-scientific fields of professional activity and its relevance to the application has major specific gravity; experience in other fields has minor specific gravity.
- The *motivation letter* which candidates must attach to their application and in which the applicants explain their professional objectives in relation to the PSP and their choice of specialization.
- Recommendation letters (two are required).

The evaluation of the applicants is carried out by *ad hoc* five-member Selection Boards (SB). The Selection Board of each specialization is exclusively staffed by faculty members who teach in the Specialization. The SB's are set up by the Assembly at the beginning of each academic year and always prior to the deadline for the submission of applications; their mandate expires automatically after the Assembly confirms the admission of selected applicants. The evaluation process must be completed within fifteen (15) working days from the deadline for the submission of applications.

The evaluation is based on the criteria specified above and is quantified on the basis of the grading system detailed in Appendix I of this Guide. Upon completion of the evaluation process, the competent SE's submit their assessments to the Coordination Committee which reviews them and compiles a list of *eligible* applicants per Specialization, ranking them by order of merit so that tied applicants occupy the same place in the list.

Entrants (per Specialization) are those applicants who, in the list or merit occupy places up to the maximum number of admissions per Specialization. *Runners-up* (per Specialization) are applicants listed in below the maximum number of admissions. A Specialization is not offered if the number of Entrants is less than, or equal to two (2). The list of Entrant and *Runner-up* applicants is submitted to the Assembly for final approval and to the Secretariat of the PSC for further action.

3.5 MATRICULATION

Entrants are notified immediately after The Assembly confirms their admission. The notification is forwarded by the Secretariat by e-mail and telephone. Entrants are required to matriculate within an *exclusive* deadline of seven (7) working dates from notification. Entrants cannot matriculate before their attend-

ance fees have been paid and are required to produce the necessary evidence (e.g. receipts, transaction records etc.). An Entrant who does not matriculate within the 7-day deadline and cannot justify the delay, or does not pay, or refuses to pay attendance fees, is automatically disqualified. If so, the first Runner-up is invited to matriculate within seven working days, subject to the same procedure. If he/she fails to matriculate, the second Runner-up is invited, and so on until the list of eligible applicants is exhausted.

Entrants who consider themselves eligible for exemption from attendance fees must, within an *exclusive* deadline of seven (7) working dates from notification, submit an application necessarily accompanied by *original* documents that demonstrate their disposable income. The conditions and terms of exemption are listed in Section 3.9.1 of the present Guide, as well as in Section 2.7 of the Regulation of Studies. The CC will examine the application and select eligible applicants (beneficiaries), listing them in order of increasing income. Beneficiaries whose number *cannot* exceed 30% of the number of Entrants are exempted from the fees. The decision of the CC is *incontestable* and supernumerary beneficiaries, as well as non-beneficiaries can only matriculate if they have paid attendance fees.

Within 10 days of matriculation, entrant students must apply for personal research and e-mail accounts. Finally, to each entrant student a, Academic Advisor is assigned, whose duty is to consult and academically support the student in organizing and coordinating his/her studies. The Advisor is always a member of The Department and teaches in the Specialization of the student; he/she is appointed by The Assembly following selection and proposal by the CC. When, in the final semester the student is begins his/her Postgraduate Dissertation, the acting Advisor is automatically replaced by the Supervisor of the Dissertation.

3.6 DURATION, SUSPENSION AND RESUMPTION OF STUDIES

- The duration of studies is set to four (4) academic semesters, including the time required for production of a Postgraduate Dissertation.
- The maximum term allowed for the completion of studies is set to five (5) academic semesters.
- In cases of serious personal, familial, professional or economic adversities, PG students have the right to request temporary suspension of their studies. To this end, they submit a reasoned application that is appraised by the CC and forwarded to the Assembly for final decision. Temporary suspension may be granted *for two at most* academic semesters. The duration of the suspension is not counted in the maximum term allowed for the completion of studies.
 - a. Upon suspension, a student must return to the Secretariat of the PSP all documents declarative of his/her Student Status, on the basis of which he/she has been awarded the privileges arising thereof.
 - b. Temporarily suspended students do not forfeit their rights pertaining to the subject of the Postgraduate Dissertation they have may have been assigned with.
 - c. Temporarily suspended students who do not resume their studies immediately upon expiration of their term of sus-

pension are automatically removed from the register of the PSP.

3.7 TEACHING METHODS AND STUDENT EVALUATION

Courses commence at the beginning of the winter semester of each academic year. A total of 120 ECTS credits are required for successful completion; 30 ECTS credits are awarded for each of the first three semesters and 30 ECTS credits are reserved for the Postgraduate Dissertation (4th semester). The courses are organized in two academic semesters: the winter semester (October to mid-February) and the spring semester (mid-February to June). Each semester comprises 13 week of teaching 2 weeks of examinations.

Postgraduate students are entitled to all of the privileges enjoyed by undergraduate students but are *not* entitled to free textbooks and educational material.

Courses may comprise of lectures, practical exercises, laboratory exercises, tutorials, field exercises and excursions/visits to areas or facilities of specific interest. The basic mode of teaching comprises conventional lectures and practical and laboratory exercises conducted in The Department. However, and should it be deemed necessary by the Instructors, teaching methods may include distant learning means and techniques. PG students are also invited and encouraged to attend seminars by research groups of The Department and other Institutions, bibliography briefings, and conferences, meetings and seminars relevant to their specialization. If, for any reason, lectures or exercises cannot be conducted as scheduled, they must be replenished at a day and time announced by the Instructors. If, for any reason, a course lasts for less than 10 weeks, it is assumed that it *has not been taught* and a solution to the emerging problem is given by The Assembly following a reasoned opinion by the CC.

- **Details about the specializations their courses are provided in Chapter 3.**

The official language of the PSP is Greek; it is possible to teach individual courses in English if deemed necessary and subject to approval by The Assembly. Foreign students who participate in the PSP through the European Programs Erasmus+ and Marie Skłodowska-Curie, or through bilateral cooperation agreements of the NKUA with foreign universities, or through bilateral cooperation agreements between the State of Greece and other countries, or through exchange programs of the United Nations Organization, are entitled to be taught in English.

Attendance of courses/ exercises etc. is obligatory and is certified with an attendance sheet signed by the Instructors. Attendance of a course is deemed *inadequate* if the total number of absences amounts to less than 70% of the scheduled lectures, exercises etc. A student charged with inadequate attendance is referred to the CC for evaluation and may be subject to dematriculation.

As part of the PSP, The Department ensures that all students are entitled to:

- Access to the Internet and World Wide Web through the infrastructures of the NKUA: for details see <http://www.noc.uoa.gr/syndesh-sto-diktyo.html>.

- Access to e-mail facilities and personal webpage development: for details see <http://www.noc.uoa.gr/hlektroniko-taxydromeio.html>.
- Access to the computing facilities of the NKUA and through those, to the services and computing infrastructure of the Hellenic Network for Research and Technology (GRNET, <https://grnet.gr/>).
- Access to all libraries of the NKUA through the library of the School of Sciences (<http://sci.lib.uoa.gr/>), as well as their digital document collections (for details see <http://www.lib.uoa.gr/ypiresies/katalogos-opac.html>).
- Access to international literature through the electronic libraries infrastructure of the NKUA: For details see <http://www.lib.uoa.gr/ypiresies/periodika.html>

Students are evaluated at the end of each semester with written or oral examinations. Alternatively, evaluation can be based on the compilation of (a series of) essays throughout the semester. Evaluation techniques differ between courses and are specified in the description of the courses in Chapter 3. Performance is graded on a scale of one to ten and a minimum of 6/10 is required for successful completion of a course.

Regardless of semester, a Student failing the examination of a course is entitled to follow-up evaluation (second chance) that *always* takes place at the beginning of the next academic year and *always* within the month of September. In case of second failure, the Student is entitled to request re-examination by a three-member board whose area of expertise is the same or closely related to the subject of the course. The board is appointed by the CC and its composition excludes the Instructors of the course in question. In case of third failure, the Student is deleted from the registry of the PSP (dematriculated).

At the end of each semester, the students are required to evaluate every course they took in that semester, the performance of the instructors and the services provided by the PSP. The relevant criteria and procedures (questionnaires, evaluation techniques, notification of instructors etc.) are specified by the CC and ratified by The Assembly.

3.8 POSTGRADUATE DISSERTATION

During the fourth semester of studies, a Postgraduate Dissertation (PD) must be compiled. At the beginning of the semester, students submit a proposal with the intended title, name of the intended Supervisor and an outline of the subject and intended content of the PD. On acceptance of the proposal by the intended Supervisor, The Assembly confirms the supervisor and appoints a three-member Dissertation Examination Board (DEB), one of which is necessarily the Supervisor. The Supervisor must be member of staff of The Department. The two other members of the DEB can be recognized teaching and/or research staff from other departments of the NKUA, or other accredited Greek or foreign teaching or research institutions, provided that their area of expertise is relevant to the subject of the Dissertation and that their academic status is equivalent to, or higher than the level of Assistant Professorship.

- A DEB cannot be appointed if a Student has not *successfully* completed the first, second and third semesters of their

studies and has outstanding obligations to the PSP, of academic or other nature.

- A DBE cannot be appointed if a Student has not paid the fees of the first, second and third semester, and has outstanding financial obligations to the PSP, unless fees have been waived by uncontested decision of The Assembly.

Concurrently with the assignment of a PD subject, the Student and the Supervisor conclude and mutually accept a written agreement in which they clarify the intellectual property of the “scientific idea” behind the subject, as well as the ownership of any rights that may arise from the results of the PD. The agreement is validated by two witnesses and signed in three original copies, one of which is held by the Student, one by the Supervisor and one is kept in the archives of the Secretariat. If the PD is compiled with data that are *not* originally produced by the Student, or *has not* been mined from public domain/free access data bases but are provided by the Supervisor or any third party, the agreement must include a declaration in which the Student, clarifies that he/she does not, and will not claim or contest the ownership and usage of the data, either in full or in part

The PD can be written in the official language of the PSP (Greek), or in English subject to approval by the CC and The Assembly. The size of the PD should strictly vary between thirty and fifty thousand words, *excluding* map legends, figure legends, footnotes and bibliography.

- Postgraduate Dissertations are products of original scientific research, or original application of scientific knowledge. To this effect, all students are obliged to sign a declaration of *non-infringement of intellectual property*, which must be attached to the PD. The form of this declaration is given in Appendix II of this Guide.

The PD must be completed within five months from the date of its assignment by The Assembly. In special circumstances, this period can be extended but only after a reasoned application by the Student and subject to the consent of the Supervisor and approval by the Assembly. The duration of the extension is decided on a case-by-case basis and is proportional to the need that necessitated it. In very special circumstances a second extension can be awarded after timely and fully justified application by the Student, consent of the Supervisor and approval by the Assembly. The duration of the second extension is again decided on a case-by-case basis and is proportional to the need that necessitated it. If, after expiration of the first or second extension a Student does not return to resume and finish the PD, he/she is declared *Unjustifiably Absent* according to Definition 1 of Art. 8 of the Regulation of Studies and is referred to the CC with the question of expulsion from the PSP.

Postgraduate Dissertations are examined publically in front of the Dissertation Examination Board, preferably toward the end of the winter or spring semester. The TEE considers the originality of the PD, the validity of the methodological approach and the planning and results of its implementation. The PD is graded on a zero (0) to ten (10) point scale and a base of six (6). It deems necessary, the DEB may request additional corrections and adaptations of the text and/or explanations on the analytical procedures and results, set a deadline for their completion and to reserve the right to grade the PD and draft the relevant evaluation protocol until a revision is submitted. For a decision of the

DEB to be valid, the assent of at least two of its members is necessary.

3.9 THE DIPLOMA OF POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AND OTHER PROVISIONS

The Diploma of Postgraduate Studies (DPS) is written in Greek and bears the logos and insignia of The Department and the NKUA. The DPS specifies the date of the completion of studies, the date of issue, the title of the PSP the Specialization of the student, the name of the student and the grade of the DPS.

The grade of the DPS is calculated according to the formula:

$$\beta_{DPS} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\left((\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \dots + \beta_N) / N \right) + \beta_{PD} \right),$$

where β_{DPS} is the grade of the DPS, β_1, \dots, β_N are the grades of N obligatory and selective courses taken by the student during the first three semesters of his/her studies and β_{PD} is the grade of the Postgraduate Dissertation. The grade is written with an accuracy of two decimal points and is classified as «καλώς» (well) for students with β_{DPS} lower than six and one half tenths (6,5), «λίαν καλώς» (very well) for students with grades between six and one half tenths (6,5) and eight and one half tenths (8,5), and «άριστα» (excellent) for students with grades higher than eight and one half tenths.

- A DPS is not awarded to students who, without having been exempted from paying attendance fees, remain with financial obligations to the PSP after the end of the fourth semester.
- All postgraduate students are entitled to a DPS Supplement in which their track record is analytically specified.

3.9.1 ATTENDANCE FEES

Enrollment and participation in the PSP entails an *attendance fee* of six hundred (600) Euro per academic semester. If studies have to be extended to a fifth semester, the attendance fee for the fifth semester is reduced to three hundred (300) Euro. The following important points should also be noted:

- Payment of the attendance fees must be made at the beginning of each academic semester through the Special Account for Research Grants of the NKUA.
- Attendance fees are *not* refundable under *any* circumstances.
- Students who have been granted temporary suspension of studies (see Par. 3.6) do not have to pay attendance fees for the term(s) of their suspension. However, if temporary suspension is granted in the midst of a semester and after attendance fees have been paid for that semester, the student is *not* entitled to a refund.

Attendance fees can be waived for students—citizens of European Union countries whose most recent personal income, or most recent equalised household disposable income, do not *independently* exceed:

- The personal income, 100% of the national (Greek) median equalised per capita disposable income,
- The household income, 70% of the national (Greek) median equalised household disposable income

The national median disposable income is obtained from the most recently published data of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (HELSTAT).

- Entrant students who wish to apply for exemption from attendance are advised to carefully study Par. 2 of Art. 35 of Law 4485/2017, the Regulation of Studies of the PSP (Decision 837/2/7/2018 of the senate of NKUA; Government Gazette Issue 4003/17/09/2018 Part B') and Ministerial Decrees 131758/Z1 /10.8.2018 και 31757/Z1/10.8.2018 publishes in issue 3387/10.8.2018 Part B' of the Government Gazette, which specify the conditions and required documentation.

Exemption from attendance fees is granted for participation in one and only one PSP. Under no circumstances can the number of exempted students exceed 30% of the total number of students admitted to the PSP. If the number of eligible applicants is greater than this threshold, the applicants are listed in order of increasing income and beneficiaries are selected according to their position in the list.

At the end of each academic semester and after the examinations, the first ranking of all students of all specializations is exempted from paying fees for the next academic semester. Students awarded with distinctions or honours for their academic competence, such as written commendations in international scientific conferences, prizes from accredited domestic or foreign scientific societies etc., are honoured with a written commendation by the Director of the PSP and the Chairman of the Department and are exempted from paying fees for the next academic semester. Exemptions are limited to the amount of 600 Euro (fees of one academic semester) and if more than one students occupy the first place, the prize is divided equally between them.

3.9 LOSS OF STUDENT STATUS

Definition 1: *Unjustifiably Absent Student* (UAS) is he/she who without having been granted temporary extension of studies abstains from the activities of the PSP and withholds communication with the educational and administrative agents of the PSP for one or more academic semesters.

At the beginning of each academic year, the Secretariat reviews the postgraduate student registry for UAS and compiles a report which it submits to the CC. Advisors and/or Supervisors may also report UAS cases directly to the CC. Subsequently, the CC compiles a reasoned opinion on the basis of which The Assembly may declare a student to be UAS.

UAS students are immediately notified and given a deadline of 30 calendar days to respond in writing and declare their intentions. Inability to communicate with UAS in their home address, fixed or mobile telephone lines and electronic mail addresses are interpreted as unwillingness to continue with their studies and entails their expulsion from the PSP.

If, after the expiration of the 30-day deadline plus 15 calendar days the UAS do not respond, they are automatically dematriculated. If, however they respond and declare willingness to continue with their studies, they are invited to submit an application of re-instatement. The application is evaluated by the CC which determines the terms and conditions of re-

instatement, drafts a reasoned opinion and submits it to The Assembly for a final decision.

The sanction of *expulsion* from the PSP is imposed to students who willingly infringe or violate the written and customary rules of academic integrity, scientific conduct and applicable legislation on the protection of intellectual property. Such infringements are:

- To voluntarily cheat in the examinations or infringe the fairness of examinations in any way.
- To copy, reproduce or paraphrase intellectual products of fellow students in any way.
- To infringe on Intellectual Property, i.e. to reproduce, paraphrase, plagiarize or appropriate copyrighted text, figures and diagrams without authorization by the copyright holders.
- To falsify the results of experiments or computations in any way and contrary to internationally accepted scientific practice and rules of scientific conduct.

All actors of the PSC have an obligation to report such violations to the CC. Any actor with a legitimate interest that is infringed by such violations can also file a complaint. The report/complaint must be written, eponymous and signed and always include documentation of the infringement (from the complainant's point of view). The complainant and respondent student are invited to a hearing by the CC, which subsequently drafts a reasoned opinion and submits it to The Assembly for a final decision. The decision of The Assembly is final and irrevocable.

Following a proposal by the CC, The Assembly may decide to dematriculate students if they:

- They exceed the maximum duration of studies (Section 3.6).
- Abstain from courses by more than 30% of the scheduled and required hours of attendance (Section 3.7).
- Fail thrice in the examinations of a given course (Section 3.7)
- Having been awarded temporary suspension of studies, they do not return and resume their studies immediately after the expiration of the term of suspension (Section 3.6)
- Violate the Law.
- Do not pay attendance fees.
- Resign by their own volition (declaration required).

Chapter 4

CURRICULUM

4.1 SPECIALIZATION: APPLIED GEOLOGY - GEOPHYSICS

4.1.1. LIST OF COURSES

1 ST SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
EFT-Y01	ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY	4	10
EFT-Y02	ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF ENGINEERING GEOLOGY	4	10
EFT-Y03	GEOLOGICALLY APPLIED GEOPHYSICS	4	10
Total		12	30

2 ND SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
EFT-Y04	GEO-INFORMATICS - MAPPING	4	10
EFT-Y05	APPLIED HYDROGEOLOGY	4	10
EFT-Y06	SEISMOLOGY – ENGINEERING SEISMOLOGY	4	10
Total		12	30

3 RD SEMESTER			
Elective Courses (3 to be selected)		Hours per week	ECTS
EFT-E01	ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL GEOPHYSICS	4	10
EFT-E02	ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF SOIL AND ROCK MECHANICS	4	10
EFT-E03	SEISMOTECTONICS	4	10
EFT-E04	GEOLOGY OF PUBLIC WORKS	4	10
EFT-E05	ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF CONTEMPORARY SEISMOLOGY	4	10
EFT-E06	DATA ANALYSIS AND GEOSTATISTICS	4	10
EFT-E07	TECTONIC STRUCTURES AND SUBTERRANEAN WATER	4	10
Total		12	30

4 TH SEMESTER			
Postgraduate Dissertation			30
Total			30

4.1.2. OUTLINES

4.1.2.A. MANDATORY COURSES

EFF-Y01 ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY

Instructors: S. Lozios (slozios@geol.uoa.gr); H. Kranis; K. Soukis

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

EFF-Y02 ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF ENGINEERING GEOLOGY

Instructors: M. Stavropoulou (mstavrop@geol.uoa.gr); E. Skourtsos.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

EEF-Y03 GEOLOGICALLY APPLIED GEOPHYSICS

Instructors: F. Vallianatos (fvallian@geol.uoa.gr); A. Tzanis (atzanis@geol.uoa.gr); I Alexopoulos; V. Sakkas

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Specialization, Specialized Background, Skill Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing and 2 hours of practical exercises per week, 10 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: No formal pre-requisites. However, students are expected to have successfully completed under-graduate courses in Physics and Mathematics (especially Calculus and Linear Algebra) in their respective school of origin. Knowledge and skills acquired by successful completion of under-graduate courses in Geophysics, Geology and Structural Geology are particularly welcome and will be appreciated.

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

Geologically Applied Geophysics (GAG) is a trans-disciplinary science that examines the internal structure and the dynamics/evolution of the Earth by studying the magnitudes, changes and interdependencies of physical parameters and phenomena generated by the activity and interaction of the host of the dynamic subsystems that comprise the crust and interior of the Planet. In addition, it engages in the exploration and appraisal of mineral, energy and other natural (e.g. water) resources, with the appraisal and prediction of hazards related to natural/geological processes or/and anthropogenic industrial activity, with the investigation and study of geotechnical problems related to construction and built environments and, finally, with the investigation and appraisal of environmental problems due to natural/geological or/and industrial activity. In the modern socio-economic setting, GAG attempts to generate multidisciplinary knowledge and skills suitable for tackling theoretical and practical earth-scientific problems. The course is designed to maintain a fairly high scientific and technical level and emphasize the applied aspects of geophysical sciences, so as to equip the students with skills deemed necessary by contemporary employers and job markets.

On completion of the course the students should have acquired:

- Comprehension of the place of Earth in the Cosmos and the consequences on the evolution of its inanimate and animate sub-systems thereof.
- Sufficient understanding of the structure and evolution of the Planet, i.e. of the complex processes that formed its internal constitution and continuously reconfigure its surface.
- Sufficient understanding of the physical principles by which it is possible to image and study the interior of the Earth, as well as recognition that these principles are applicable to the remote observation of the oceans and atmosphere of the Earth and other planets
- Sufficient understanding of the basic geophysical methods used in studying the interior of the Earth and hands-on experience

of the methods and techniques used in the interpretation of geophysical observations (and quantitative scientific observations for that matter).

- Comprehension of how to combine, compare and critically appraise data and results from different lines (trans-disciplinary) of inquiry, as for instance geological, petrological, geophysical et al., in order to extract information about the structure and evolution of the interior of the Earth.
- Understanding of how to compile and present scientific reports.
- A host of practical skills necessary in addressing different aspects of the problems engaged by Applied Geophysics and related earth-scientific disciplines (economic, environmental, technical etc.).

General Skills:

- Measurement, research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Advancement of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Critical thinking and constructive self-appraisal.
- Adaptation to new conditions and situations.
- Self-contained (individual) work.
- Teamwork.
- Trans-disciplinary scientific work.
- Respect for the natural environment.
- Project design and management
- Decision making.

CONTENT:

A. Theoretical background of Geologically Applied Geophysics (lectures).

- **Role and Contribution of Geophysical Sciences in the study of the lithosphere and the interior of the Earth.**
- **Structure and Composition of the Earth's Interior:** Formation and differentiation of the Planet. Shape, internal structure and composition. Distribution of temperature, pressure, density, mechanical and electrical properties in the interior of the Earth. Basic structure of the Earth's core, mantle and crust.
- **Heat of the Earth's Interior:** Origin, sources and distribution of heat. Natural radio-activity, distribution of radioactive elements and radioactive heating. Principles of heat diffusion and transfer, heat flow. Thermal convection in the Earth's core and mantle – consequences for the structure, dynamics and evolution of the lithosphere and the surface of the Earth.
- **Gravity and Gravity Exploration:** Gravity potential and the gravity field of the Earth. Shape of the Earth: the geoid and the ellipsoid. Isostasy. The concept of the "gravity anomaly" and its application to the exploration of the interior of the Earth: measurements, processing, analysis and interpretation. Elements of Geodesy and introduction to Satellite Geodesy.
- **Geomagnetism and Magnetic Exploration:** Elements of the Earth's magnetic field. Generation, changes and origin of changes in the Earth's magnetic field – consequences on the surface of the Planet. Field reversals and utilization – elements of Paleomagnetism. The concept of "magnetic anomaly" and its application to the exploration of the Earth's inte-

- rior – measurements, processing, analysis and interpretation.
- **Elements of Geo-Electromagnetism:** Electrical and magnetic properties of minerals and rocks. Electrical structure of the Earth. Natural EM fields (magnetospheric, ionospheric and atmospheric). Elements of EM theory: diffusion and propagation of EM waves in finite Earth structures and relevant Earth response functions.
 - **Electromagnetic Exploration:** Overview. Natural field exploration methods (Magnetotelluric, Magnetovariational/ GDS). Controlled source exploration methods in the frequency and time domains (emphasis on Slingram and TDEM). Data analysis and interpretation.
 - **Geoelectric Exploration:** Basic Principles. Geoelectric stratification. Electric current diffusion in an electrically stratified Earth. Equipment and measurement layouts. Earth Resistivity Tomography. Self-potential and induced polarization. Measurements, processing, analysis, interpretation of geoelectric sounding curves.
 - **Seismic Exploration:** Stress and strain. Seismic wave propagation and attenuation. Seismic excitation sources. Seismic refraction and reflection methods. Seismic tomography. Measurements, processing, analysis and interpretation of seismic exploration data.
 - **Geophysical Well Logging:** Well logging techniques. The environment around boreholes. Data interpretation and appraisal. Examples and applications.
 - Multi- and Trans-disciplinary geophysical investigation of the Earth's interior – structural and geodynamic analysis with geophysical methods: Examples and applications.

B. Practical exercises: Familiarization with geophysical equipment; field measurements; data analysis and interpretation with specialized/dedicated software; compilation of technical reports.

- Qualitative interpretation – appraisal of **gravity anomalies**. Introduction to geophysical modelling and quantitative interpretation of local and regional gravity anomalies.
- Qualitative and quantitative interpretation of **magnetic anomalies** – magnetometric detection of buried structures and objects.
- **Electromagnetic exploration of buried geological structures:** Qualitative appraisal and interpretation of magnetotelluric soundings. Introduction to the concepts of geophysical inversion and quantitative interpretation of magnetotelluric surveys.
- **Electromagnetic exploration of buried geological structures:** Qualitative and quantitative interpretation of SLINGRAM and TDEM surveys.
- **Geoelectric exploration:** Familiarization with the relevant equipment. Field measurements. Processing, interpretation and appraisal of geoelectric soundings and ERT tomograms.
- **Seismic exploration:** Familiarization with the relevant equipment. Field measurements. Processing and interpretation of seismic refraction and reflection data.
- Multi-parametric exploration of the Earth's interior.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lecturing.

- Face-to-face practical exercises in the analysis and interpretation of geophysical data.
- Utilization of the e-class facility of the NKUA (blogging and discussion functions) for additional dissemination of information, distribution of educational material, answering of questions etc.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- PowerPoint presentations available through the course's web site in the e-class facility of the NKUA; they incorporate educational videos relevant to the lectures.

In Practical exercises:

- **Instructional part:** PowerPoint presentations available through the course's web site in the e-class facility of the NKUA; they incorporate educational videos with relevant content.
- **Executorial part:** Specialized educational or/and professional software. The educational software is available through the course's web site. The professional software resides in dedicated computers of the Section of Geophysics – Geothermy, or the Computing Centre of the NKUA.

In the Communication with Students:

- Personal interfacing and utilization of the communication and blogging functions of the e-class facility (24/7 availability).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	4 hours × 13 weeks
Practical exercises	2 hours × 13 weeks
Homework – includes preparation for final examinations.	12 hours × 13 weeks
Total	234 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Examinations are conducted in Greek. Foreign students, or students from European Union countries (Erasmus Programme), can be examined in English.

The final grade is formed through a series of tests that include:

- Reports prepared and submitted as part of the practical exercise program. The mean of the grades of all reports **amounts to 50% of the final grade.**
- Written examination on the theoretical concepts of GAG. This takes place at the end of the 1st semester (main examination), or/and in the month of September (auxiliary examination). The written examination **amounts to 50% of the final grade.**

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Lowrie, W., 2007, Fundamentals of Geophysics Cambridge University Press.
- Telford, W.M., Geldart, L.P. and Sheriff, R.E., Applied Geophysics, 2nd Edition, Cambridge University Press.
- Λούης, Ι., 2004. «Εισαγωγικά Μαθήματα στην Διερευνητική Γεωφυσική», ανέκδοτο βιβλίο, 245 σελ., διανέμεται δωρεάν.

- Purucker, M.E. and Whaler, K.A., 2007. Crustal Magnetism, in Gerald Schubert (ed.) *Treatise in Geophysics*, vol. 5, 195-235, Elsevier.
- Hinze, W.J. et al., 2013. Gravity and Magnetic Exploration, Cambridge University Press.
- Τζάνης, Α., 2016. «Στοιχεία από τον Γεωηλεκτρομαγνητισμό», ανέκδοτο βιβλίο, 222 σελ., διανέμεται δωρεάν.
- Τσελέντης, Γ-Α., και Παρασκευόπουλος, Π., Εφαρμοσμένη Γεωφυσική, [Κωδ. ΕΥΔΟΞΟΣ: 50659068]

Optional literature for further study: All books are accessible in the Library of the School of Sciences, or available in electronic form:

- Fowler, C.M.R., 2005. The Solid Earth: An introduction to Global Geophysics, Cambridge University Press.
- Poirier J.-P., 2000. Introduction to the Physics of the Earth's Interior, Cambridge University Press.
- Stacey, F.M. and Davies, P.M., 2008, Physics of the Earth, 4th edition, Cambridge University Press
- Simpson, F. and Bahr, K., 2005. Practical Magnetotellurics, Cambridge University Press.
- Everett, M.K., 2013. Near-surface Applied Geophysics, Cambridge University Press

Website:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL448/>

EEΓ-Y04 GEO-INFORMATICS - MAPPING

Instructors: V. Sakkas (vsakkas@geol.uoa.gr); S. Vassilopoulou; S. Lozios; V. Antoniou; E. Skourtsos; K. Soukis

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: No

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

CONTENT:

A. Theoretical background (lectures).

- Cartographic projections and projection systems.
- Transformations between geographic coordinates.
- Digital representation of spatial data.
- Numerical interpolation.
- Cartographic software and imaging of digital cartographic data (ArcGIS, GMT, Surfer/Voxler, MATLAB).
- Thematic levels and thematic maps.
- Multi-thematic two and three dimensional maps.
- Satellite geodesy and GNSS systems.
- Different types of geological maps.
- Geological mapping scales.
- Construction and composition of geological maps – geological mapping techniques.
- Image acquisition and digital sampling techniques.
- Extraction and imaging of geological elements from remote-sensing data.
- GPS applications in geological mapping.
- GIS applications in geological mapping.
- Geo-spatial information and relational data bases - decision-making systems.

B. Practical exercises: Acquisition and analysis of image and GNSS data – Interpretation with specialized software – compilation of technical reports.

- Introduction to digital satellite data.
- Satellite image analysis using the ArcPro software.
- Field/laboratory exercise – acquisition of geological data.
- Field/laboratory exercise – acquisition and analysis of GNSS data.
- Handling, processing and presentation of geospatial data using the ArcGIS and ArcPro software.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Interactive face-to-face lecturing.

- Face-to-face practical exercises (computer aided analysis and interpretation of satellite images and GNSS data, map compilation and analysis of thematic and multi-thematic maps)..

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	4 hours × 13 weeks
Home study – includes work on practical exercises	10 hours × 13 weeks
Preparation for final examinations.	32 hours
Total	214 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Examinations are conducted in Greek. Foreign students, or students from European Union countries (Erasmus Programme), can be examined in English.

The final grade is formed through a series of tests that include:

- Performance in practical exercises and laboratory work; **amounts to 30% of the final grade.**
- Written examination. This takes place at the end of the 2nd semester (main examination), or/and in the month of September (auxiliary examination). The written examination **amounts to 70% of the final grade.**

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Fotiou A. and Pikridas Ch., 2012. GPS and its Geodetic applications, Ziti Publications, 479pp, ISBN 978-960-456-346-3 (in Greek).
- Βασιλοπούλου, S., 2014. Εφαρμογές Συστημάτων Γεωγραφικών Πληροφοριών και Τηλεανίχνευσης σε Γεωλογικές και Γεωπεριβαλλοντικές Μελέτες, 272pp, (κωδ. “Εύδοξος” 33239672).
- Lecture notes by S. Vassilopoulou.
- Ferreti, A., 2014. Satellite InSAR Data – Reservoir Monitoring from Space, EAGE publications, 160pp, ISBN 978-90-73834-71-2
- Skianis, G., Nikolakopoulos, K. and Vaiopoulos, D., 2012. Remote Sensing, Ion Publications, 336pp, ISBN 978-960-508-027-3 (in Greek).

Website:

NA

EFF-Y05 APPLIED HYDROGEOLOGY

Instructors: E. Skourtsos (eskourt@geol.uoa.gr); E. Andre-
adakis

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2ND

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

EIT-Y06 SEISMOLOGY – ENGINEERING SEISMOLOGY

Instructors: P. Papadimitriou (ppapadim@geol.uoa.gr); N. Voulgaris; G. Tselentis; V. Kouskouna; I. Kassaras; G. Kaviris

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2ND

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

- The theory of elasticity.
- Stress, strain and propagation equation of seismic waves – the seismic wave equation.
- Seismograms, accelerograms and their characteristics.
- Processing and filtering of seismological data – filter design and application.
- Determination of earthquake hypocenters and epicenters.
- Determination of earthquake focal mechanisms.
- Characteristics of the earthquake source – earthquake source function.
- Modelling of seismic wave propagation.
- Earthquake sequences and their properties.
- Principles of passive (earthquake) tomography.
- Macroseismic methods and historical earthquakes.
- Probabilistic and deterministic approaches to the analysis of earthquake hazards.
- Microzonation studies.

4.1.2.B. ELECTIVE COURSES

EFT-E01 ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL GEOPHYSICS

Instructors: I. Alexopoulos (jalexopoulos@geol.uoa.gr); A. Tzanis; F. Vallianatos; V. Sakkas.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

TYPE: Specialized Background; Development of skills and competencies

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical exercises, field exercises, 10 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: Course EFT-Y03 (Geologically Applied Geophysics).

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

Objective of near-surface geophysical sounding is the precise as possible determination of the configuration of the physical properties of the subsurface and its association with geological or man-made structures. This information can be applied to the analysis and handling of problems related to the exploration and evaluation of mineral, energy and other natural (e.g. water) resources, the appraisal of natural/geological and technological hazards, the study of geotechnical problems related to construction and built environments and, finally, to the analysis and appraisal of environmental problems arising from natural/geological or/and industrial activity. On successful completion of this course the students are expected to:

- Be familiarized with the basic principles of near surface geophysics and its applications.
- Be able to select and apply those near-surface applied geophysical methods, which are appropriate in confronting a given problem.
- Appreciate the basic principles of geophysical instrumentations and its utilization.
- Be familiar with the design and execution of near-surface geophysical field operations, as well as with procedures related to the processing and interpretation of the resulting data.
- Have acquired knowledge and skills necessary in inter-relating geophysical, geological and environmental information.
- Have acquired skills in combining and evaluating trans-disciplinary information (geophysical, geological, geotechnical, remote sensing etc.).

General Skills:

- Measurement, research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Advancement of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Adaptation to new conditions and situations.
- Self-contained (individual) work
- Teamwork.

- Trans-disciplinary scientific work.
- Critical thinking and constructive self-appraisal.
- Respect for the natural environment.
- Decision making.

CONTENT

- **Gravity/ Magnetic Prospecting:** Fault detection; stripping of overburden; micro-gravimetric monitoring of aquifer depletion; detection of buried metallic objects; magnetometric applications in archeology
- **Seismic sounding in engineering geophysics and geology:** Elastic constants and their relationship to the velocity of seismic waves and mechanical properties of materials; seismic sounding in geotechnical and environmental problems; detection and characterization of (seismic) bedrock; seismic sounding in boreholes; seismic surface waves in geotechnical problems.
- **Resistivity, Self-Potential and Induced Polarization methods:** Imaging of near-surface structures; detection, evaluation and monitoring of near-surface aquifers, including the spread of pollution and coastal salinization; applications in geotechnical engineering (landslides, ground evaluation, void, karst and fracture detection, etc.); applications in archeology.
- **Electromagnetic Sounding:** Controlled source EM methods in the frequency and time domains; imaging of near-surface structures; evaluation and monitoring of aquifers (spread of pollution, coastal salinization etc.); exploration of mineral resources; geotechnical engineering (landslides, ground evaluation etc.); archeological prospecting.
- **Ground Probing Radar:** High resolution imaging of near-surface structures; high resolution detection of buried objects; UXO detection; applications in archeological prospecting and environmental studies; structural integrity of pavements and buildings.
- **Geophysical Well Logging:** Acquisition, processing appraisal/ interpretation of borehole geophysical data; examples and applications.
- **Geophysical methods in seismic micro-zonation studies;** evaluation of ground response to seismic loading; characterization/ mapping of the mechanical and geotechnical properties of grounds and foundation sites.

Practical exercises:

- Familiarization with the equipment of geophysical exploration.
- Processing/ reduction of geophysical data; interpretation and appraisal.
- Compilation of technical reports.

Field Exercises

- Utilization of portable geophysical equipment – familiarization with data acquisition procedures.
- On-site qualitative and quantitative evaluation of geophysical measurements including compilation of field reports.

TEACHING METHODS

- Face-to-face lecturing.
- Face-to-face practical exercises in the analysis and interpretation of geophysical data.
- Utilization of the e-class facility of the NKUA (blogging and discussion functions) for additional dissemination of information, distribution of educational material, answering of questions etc.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- PowerPoint presentations available through the course's web site in the e-class facility of the NKUA; they incorporate educational videos relevant to the lectures.

In Practical exercises:

- Instructional part: PowerPoint presentations available through the course's web site in the e-class facility of the NKUA; they incorporate educational videos with relevant content.
- Executorial part: Specialized educational or/and professional software. The educational software is available through the course's web site. The pro-fessional software resides in dedicated computers of the Section of Geophysics – Geothermy, or the Computing Centre of the NKUA.

In the Communication with Students:

- Personal interfacing and utilization of the communication and blogging functions of the e-class facility (24/7 availability).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD:

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and Practical exercises	4 h × 13 weeks
Field Exercises	12 h × 1 weeks
Homework – includes work on practical exercises and	12 h × 13 weeks
Total	220 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Examinations are conducted in Greek. Foreign students, or students from European Union countries (Erasmus Programme), can be examined in English.

The final grade is formed through a series of tests that include:

- Written examination which amounts to **30% of the final grade.**
- Reports prepared and submitted as part of the practical exercise program. The mean of the grades of all reports amounts to **70% of the final grade.**

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Reynolds, J. M., 2011. An Introduction to Applied and Environmental Geophysics, 2nd Edition, ISBN: 978-0-471-48535-3.
- Telford, W.M., Geldart, L.P. and Sheriff, R.E., Applied Geophysics, 2nd Edition, Cambridge University Press.
- Everett, M.K., 2013. Near Surface Applied Geophysics, Cambridge University Press

- Τζάνης, Α., 2016. «Στοιχεία από τον Γεωηλεκτρομαγνητισμό», ανέκδοτο βιβλίο, 222 σελ., διανέμεται δωρεάν.
- Milsom, J., 1996. Field Geophysics, 2nd Edition, Wiley, ISBN 0-470-84347-0
- Claerbout, J., 1996. Imaging the Earth's interior, <http://sepwww.stanford.edu/sep/prof/iei2/>
- Claerbout, J., 1996. Fundamentals of Geophysical Data Processing, Blackwell, ISBN 0-86542-305-9, <http://sepwww.stanford.edu/sep/prof/fgdp5.pdf>
- Daniels, D.J., 2004. Ground Penetrating Radar, 2nd Edition, ISBN 0-86341-360-9
- Τσελέντης, Γ.Α., και Παρασκευόπουλος, Π., Εφαρμοσμένη Γεωφυσική, [Κωδ. ΕΥΔΟΞΟΣ: 50659068]

WEBSITE:

NA

EFF-E02 ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF SOIL AND ROCK MECHANICS

Instructors: M. Stavropoulou (mstavrop@geol.uoa.gr); K. Soukis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

EFF-E03 SEISMOTECTONICS

Instructors: I. Kassaras (kassaras@geol.uoa.gr); P. Papadimitriou; K. Pavlou; H. Kranis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

- Plate tectonics and regional scale landforms
- Plate tectonics of the Eastern Mediterranean.
- Seismicity and micro-seismicity.
- Focal mechanisms and their interpretation.
- Stress field determination with seismological (focal mechanism), geological (tectonic), geophysical and geodetic data.
- Fault potential and recurrence intervals of strong earthquakes.
- Fault dimensions and seismic parameters.
- Mapping of Seismotectonic elements and data.
- Seismogenesis in Greece.
- Seismotectonic studies –active fault identification.

EFF-E04 GEOLOGY OF PUBLIC WORKS

Instructors: M. Stavropoulou (mstavrop@geol.uoa.gr); K. Soukis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

EFF-E05 ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF CONTEMPORARY SEISMOLOGY

Instructors: G. Kaviris (gkavitis@geol.uoa.gr); P. Papadimitriou; V. Kouskouna; I. Kassaras.

TYPE: Specialization, Specialized Background, Skill Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 teaching hours per week, 10 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: No formal pre-requisites. However, students are expected to have successfully completed undergraduate courses in Geology, Physics and Mathematics. Knowledge and skills acquired by the successful completion of undergraduate courses in Seismology and Geophysics are particularly welcome.

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: Yes, in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The goal of the course is to familiarize students with applications of modern seismology. After successfully completing the course, the students will be able to use specialized seismological software and participate in research groups. The course emphasizes the applied nature of seismology, to provide the necessary skills in the modern work environment and has been designed with employment prospects in mind.

General Skills:

- Conducting research individually and as a member of a working group
- Understanding of specialized topics on seismological research
- Use of software related to the course's topics
- Evaluation and interpretation of results of modern seismological methods
- Comparative application of methodologies
- Evaluation and management of socially sensitive information (such as estimation of seismic risk)
- Seismological applications in operational environments

CONTENT:**B. Theoretical content (lectures).**

- **Methods for earthquake forecasting**
Forecasting methods (short-, mid- and long-term), comparative evaluation and potential for integration in operational systems
- **Earthquake early warning systems**
Design and deployment of seismological networks specialized for earthquake early warning, early warning methodologies, integration in earthquake mitigation plans, social and economic impact of early warning
- **Application of passive seismic tomography**
Retrieval and selection of seismological data for tomography, methods of grid design (quadtree and adaptive cells), body-wave tomography (local, regional and teleseismic), ambient

noise tomography, applications of seismic tomography (volcanic and tectonic regimes, hydrocarbon exploration)

– **Application of surface waves and receiver functions in exploring deep structures**

Surface waves in exploring the crust and mantle, velocity models from surface waves, receiver functions methodologies, deconvolution methods, V_p/V_s ratio and discontinuities estimation

– **Applications of seismic anisotropy**

Criteria for selecting seismic anisotropy suitable data, shear-wave splitting, visual inspection method, rotation-correlation method, eigenvalue method, cluster analysis method, temporal variations as earthquake/volcanic precursors, spatial variations and different regimes of seismic anisotropy, mantle characterization from shear-wave splitting, seismic anisotropy in seismic surveys, applications in hydrocarbon exploration and production

– **Applications of ambient noise in estimating dynamic features of surficial formations**

Ambient noise processing, methods for obtaining site effects, integration of estimated dynamic features in structural improvements

– **Structural vulnerability**

Categories of buildings and infrastructure, methods of vulnerability estimation, vulnerability curves, vulnerability assessment of the building stock in Greece

– **Seismic risk**

Seismic hazard, methods for assessing seismic hazard and seismic risk, evaluation of seismic risk models, integration in operational level

– **Seismic design codes**

Development of seismic building design codes, New Greek Seismic Design Code

B. Practical exercises: Processing of seismological data with modern software and interpretation of results

- Estimating shear-wave splitting from local waveform data
- Evaluation of shear-wave splitting temporal variations
- Synthetic accelerograms for the deterministic assessment of seismic hazard
- Seismic hazard maps

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lecturing.
- Face-to-face practical exercises in the analysis and interpretation of seismological data.
- Utilization of the e-class facility of the NKUA (blogging and discussion functions) for additional dissemination of information, distribution of educational material, answering of questions etc.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations

In Practical exercises:

- Instructional part: Presentations
- Executorial part: Specialized software

In the Communication with Students:

- Personal communication and utilization of the communication features of the e-class system (24/7 availability).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	4 hours × 13 weeks
Practical exercises	2 hours × 13 weeks
Homework – includes preparation for final examinations.	13 hours × 13 weeks
Total	247 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Examinations are conducted in Greek. Foreign students, or students from European Union countries (Erasmus Programme), can be examined in English.

The final grade is formed through a series of tests that include:

- Reports prepared and submitted as part of the practical exercise program. The mean of the grades of all reports **amounts to 50% of the final grade.**
- Written examination. This takes place at the end of the 3rd semester (main examination), or/and in the month of September (auxiliary examination). The written examination **amounts to 50% of the final grade.**

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Gumbel, E.J., 1958. Statistics of Extremes, Columbia University Press, New York.
- T. Lay, T. Wallace, 1995. Modern Global Seismology, Academic Press, p. 521. eBook ISBN: 9780080536712
- B.C. Papazachos, G.F. Karakaisis, P.M. Hatzidimitriou, Introduction to Seismology, [Eudoxus Code: 11254]
- A. Tselentis, General Seismology Part A, [Eudoxus Code: 59395397]
- A. Tselentis, General Seismology Part B, [Eudoxus Code: 77118155]

SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS:

- Bundled collection relevant scientific papers.
- Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America, SSA Journals
- Geophysical Journal International, Oxford University Press
- Journal of Geophysical Research, AGU Publications
- Physics of the Earth and Planetary Interiors, Journal, Elsevier
- Tectonophysics, Journal, Elsevier

Website:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL505/>

EIT-E06 DATA ANALYSIS AND GEOSTATISTICS

Instructors: A. Tzanis (atzanis@geol.uoa.gr); P. Papadimitriou; M. Stavropoulou; S. Lozios.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specific Background, Specialization, Skill Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: No formal pre-requisites. Students are expected to have working comprehension of the basic concepts and principles taught herein, acquired through successful completion of undergraduate courses in Statistics and Mathematics (Linear Algebra and Calculus in particular).

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

Earth Sciences investigate the internal structure and the dynamics/evolution of the Earth by studying the magnitudes, changes and interdependencies of physical parameters and phenomena generated by the activity and interaction of the host of the dynamic subsystems that comprise the crust and interior of the Planet. In addition, they are engaged in the exploration and appraisal of natural resources, in the appraisal and prediction of natural and anthropogenic hazards, in the study of geotechnical problems related to construction and the built environment and, finally, with the investigation and appraisal of anthropogenic environmental. Earth Science is required to address such complex problems and provide **answers technically robust and quantitatively accurate**. In response, the course is designed so as to maintain a fairly high technical level and focus on principal data reduction and analysis techniques applied to a broad spectrum of Earth-scientific problems.

On completion of the Course, the students should have acquired:

- Dexterity in using and programming scientific computing engines (MATLAB and OCTAVE) and their associated signal, modelling and statistical analysis toolboxes.
- Comprehension of the basic concepts and principles of Applied Mathematics and Statistics, as well as ability to advance their knowledge and keep up with new developments in the fields of quantitative data analysis.
- Dexterity with general techniques of manipulating and displaying scientific data and images.
- Dexterity in the spectral analysis and information extraction from spatio-temporal scientific data.
- Dexterity in the statistical analysis of spatio-temporal scientific data.
- Dexterity in the numerical simulation, modelling and interpretation of simple natural or artificial phenomena, e.g. by using general least squares.
- Comprehension of the evolutionary dynamics of systems and phenomena through familiarization with simple differential equations.
- Familiarization with critical appraisal of data and results.

- Comprehension of the capabilities and constraints of analytical methods and software, so as to be able to select and apply the more suitable of those.
- Understanding of how to compile and present scientific and technical reports.
- Dexterities necessary in addressing different practical problems related to data analysis and interpretation (economic, environmental, technical etc.)

General Skills:

- Measurement, research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Advancement of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Critical thinking and constructive self-appraisal
- Adaptation to new conditions and situations.
- Self-contained (individual) work
- Teamwork
- Trans-disciplinary scientific work
- Decision making

CONTENT:

1. Introduction to MATLAB/OCTAVE with parallel review of the principles of Linear Algebra.
2. Advanced concepts of probability theory and parametric probability distributions in one and more dimensions. Basic distributions (normal, Poisson, γ , Student, Fisher, χ^2) and statistical testing of data (t, F, χ^2) and hypotheses. Analysis of Variance.
3. Fourier analysis, Fourier series and the Fourier transform. Power spectra and their physical interpretation. Concepts of sampling and digitization. The z-transform. Correlation and Convolution. Fast Fourier Transforms. Examples and applications in the analysis of natural phenomena.
4. Linear Filters and Systems. Transfer functions and causality. Wavelets and wavelet transforms. Applications to the description of physical systems, time series, maps and images. Data smoothing and accentuation; application to time series, maps and images.
5. Coordinate systems, vector spaces and metric spaces. Matrices and their properties. Metric tensors: concepts, properties and utilization. Eigenvalue/eigenvector decomposition, singular value decomposition and their physical interpretation. Karhunen–Loeve transformations. Applications to the analysis of matrices and images; applications to geophysical and geotechnical problems – analysis of the stress and strain tensors.
6. Simulation and modelling of data and physical processes: Linear, general and non-linear least squares. Multiple Linear Regression and applications. Non-linear least-squares inversion theory and applications.
7. Partial differential equations (Laplace, diffusion, wave): Concepts, properties and solution. Examples and applications (e.g. static potentials, heat transfer, wave diffusion and propagation). Numerical solution of partial differential equations – the finite difference approach with examples and applications.
8. Interpolation and extrapolation in one dimension (interpolating polynomial, linear and non-linear interpolation techniques). Interpolation in two and three dimensions with in-

roduction to the concepts of triangulation and tessellation. Geostatistical interpolation methods (e.g. Kriging).

9. Statistical analysis of multivariate data: Discriminant functions, Cluster Analysis and Factor analysis.
10. Introduction to fractals and fractal objects. Fractal distributions and fractal clustering. Dynamic systems and self-organized criticality – introduction to the non-extensive statistical mechanics. Examples from the Earth Sciences (terrain, drainage systems, coastlines, fragmentation and porosity, faulting and tectonics, seismicity and seismogenesis, etc.).

TEACHING METHODS

- Face-to-face lecturing.
- Face-to-face practical exercises with scientific computing engines (e.g. MATLAB).
- Utilization of the e-class facility of the NKUA (blogging and discussion functions) for additional dissemination of information, distribution of educational material, answering of questions etc.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- PowerPoint presentations and demonstrations of data analysis and modeling methods; this includes educational videos available to the students via the course's website.

In Practical exercises:

- Instructional part: PowerPoint presentations and live demonstrations of data analysis procedures using MATLAB or OCTAVE.
- Executional part: Data analysis exercises using MATLAB or OCTAVE (software available through the Computing Centre of the NKUA).

In the Communication with Students:

- Personal interfacing and utilization of the communication and blogging functions of the e-class facility (24/7 availability).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	4 hours × 13 weeks
Practical exercises	2 hours × 13 weeks
Homework – includes preparation time for final examinations.	12 hours × 13 weeks
Total	234 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- Students are evaluated by a formative assessment process in Greek. Foreign students from European Union countries (attending through the Erasmus programme) may be evaluated by the same process in English.
- The final grade is the arithmetic mean of the grades of all reports prepared and submitted as part of the practical exercises program.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Βεργάδος, Ι., «Μαθηματικές Μέθοδοι Φυσικής», Τόμοι Ι & ΙΙ, Πενεπιστημιακές Εκδόσεις Κρήτης.
- Αναλυτικές Σημειώσεις Διδασκόντων (άνω των 140 σελίδων) και ύλη ασκήσεων αναρτημένες στην η-Τάξη
- Arfken, G.B and Weber, H.J., 2005. Mathematical Methods for Physicists, 6th Edition, Elsevier.
- Snieder, R., 1997, "A guided tour of Mathematical Physics", Samizdat Press .
- Hanselman, D. and Littlefield, B., «Μάθετε το MATLAB 7», [Κωδ. ΕΥΔΟΞΟΣ: 13789]
- Moller, C., 2004. «Numerical computing with MATLAB», MathWorks Inc. (<https://www.mathworks.com/moler/chapters.html>).
- Trauth, M.H., 2007. MATLAB Recipes for Earth Scientists, 2nd Edition, Springer Verlag.
- Scales, J.A. et al., 2001. Introductory Geophysical Inverse Theory, Samizdat Press.
- Claerbout, J., 1976. Fundamentals of Geophysical Data Processing, Samizdat Press.
- Claerbout, J., 1996, Imaging the Earth's Interior, Samizdat Press.
- Turcotte, D.L., 1997. Fractals and Chaos in Geology and Geophysics, Cambridge University Press.

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL456/>

EEΓ-E07 TECTONIC STRUCTURES AND SUBTERRANEAN WATER

Instructors: [E. Skourtsos \(eskourt@geol.uoa.gr\)](mailto:eskourt@geol.uoa.gr); E. Andre-
adakis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 10 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

4.2. SPECIALIZATION: MINERAL RESOURCES – PETROLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

4.2.1. LIST OF COURSES

1 st SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
ΟΠΠ-Υ01	INSTRUMENTAL ANALYTICAL METHODS	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Υ02	CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY AND MINERAL GENESIS – MINERALS AND MATERIALS SCIENCE	4	7
Elective Courses – Two to be chosen			
ΟΠΠ-Ε01	MAGMATISM AND GEOTECTONIC ENVIRONMENT	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε02	GEOCHEMICAL EXPLORATION METHODS	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε03	MINERAL RESOURCES, MINING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε04	CONTINENTAL AND MARINE VOLCANISM – ENVIRONMENTAL VOLCANOLOGY	4	8
Total		16	30

2 nd SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
ΟΠΠ-Υ03	GEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK AND MAPPING	4	7
Elective Courses (two of 8 ECTS/ one of 7 ECTS).			
ΟΠΠ-Ε05	GENESIS – DIAGENESIS OF SEDIMENTARY DEPOSITS**	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε06	METAMORPHIC PETROGENETIC PROCESSES **	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε07	WASTE MANAGEMENT*	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε08	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND SCIENTIFIC WRITING *	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε09	RISK ASSESSMENT OF POLLUTION*	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε10	MINERAL GENESIS IN GREECE AND EUROPE – CRITICAL MINERAL RESOURCES IN THE EU *	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε11	BUILDING STONES AND RAW MATERIALS – GEMOLOGY**	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε12	METASOMATIC/HYDROTHERMAL ALTERATIONS AND METALLOGENY **	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε13	LITHOLOGIES OF PETROLEUM SYSTEMS **	4	7
Total		16	30

* Pre-requisite courses are **ΟΠΠ-Ε02** and **ΟΠΠ-Ε03**** Pre-requisite courses are **ΟΠΠ-Ε01** and **ΟΠΠ-Ε04**

3 rd SEMESTER			
Elective Courses (two of 8 ECTS/ one of 7 ECTS).		Hours per week	ECTS
ΟΠΠ-Ε14	SUSTAINABLE REMEDIATION OF CONTAMINATED LAND AND WATER	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε15	ADVANCED TOPICS OF SEDIMENTARY PETROLOGY	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε16	ARCHAEOMETRIC MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY	4	8
ΟΠΠ-Ε17	ELEMENTS OF ADVANCED GEOCHEMISTRY	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε18	OPHIOLITIC COMPLEXES: FROM GENESIS TO ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE	4	7
ΟΠΠ-Ε19	BASIC PRINCIPLES OF GEO-MICROBIOLOGY WITH APPLICATIONS IN MINERAL RESOURCE EXPLORATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT	4	7
ΟΠΠ- Ε20	ENVIRONMENTAL MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY – MEDICAL GEOLOGY	4	7
Total		16	30

4 th SEMESTER			
Postgraduate Dissertation			30
Total			30

4.2.2 OUTLINES

4.2.2.A. MANDATORY COURSES

ΟΠΠΙ-Υ01 INSTRUMENTAL ANALYSIS METHODS

Instructors: A. Argyraki (Argyraki@geol.uoa.gr); A. Godelitsas.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: Postgraduate / 1st

TYPE: Specific background, skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This obligatory course provides specialized instruction on modern instrumental techniques for chemical and mineralogical analysis of earth materials. The lectures focus on the understanding of working principles of analytical techniques and aims to build the appropriate knowledge background of the students for solving geological problems involving chemical analysis for earth science research and innovative uses of earth materials. The course builds on case studies based on instructors' research data.

At the end of the course the students should be able to:

- Select appropriate analytical methods and techniques for studying the composition of earth materials (e.g. rocks, natural waters, sediments, soils, atmospheric particles).
- Apply methodology for quality control of geochemical analysis.
- Interpret the results of quality control of analyses.
- Take responsibility for planning the sequence of experiments and analytical methods for solving mineralogy/ petrology problems, mineral prospecting and environmental research.

General Skills:

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information taking advantage of the use of appropriate technologies
- Decision making
- Independent coursework
- Team coursework
- Development of new scientific ideas
- Respect to the natural environment
- Promotion of free and creative thinking

CONTENT:

A. Lectures

The course articulates in two parts. The first part examines instrumental techniques for bulk chemical analysis and the second part focuses on spot analysis techniques for earth materi-

als. The working principles and analytical capabilities and characteristics of destructive and non-destructive techniques are examined. Sampling methodology, sample preparation for analysis and quality control of analytical results.

B. Practical exercises

Practicals are based on available analytical techniques of the Department. Case studies for selecting analytical techniques based on fitness-for-purpose. Practice on estimation of measurement uncertainty from sampling and analysis.

TEACHING METHODS

- Live lectures supported also by material in e-class
- Treatment of data by using appropriate software installed on student's computer
- Laboratory classes- demonstration of analytical techniques

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations ppt of the course lectures as well as relative bibliographic material are found in the website of the course at the e-class platform.

In the Communication with Students:

- The e-class platform provides opportunities of direct communication with the students, submission of coursework and exercises, etc.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Φόρτος Εργασίας Εξαμήνου
Lectures and computer lab exercises	4h x 10w = 40h
Homework- literature study	100h
Student oral presentations for assessment	2h x 3w = 60h
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Students are examined in Greek or English language. The final assessment involves a series of requirements including:

I. Oral presentations

- Relevant topic of instrumental analytical techniques (35%)

II. Term paper

- Focused on treatments and interpretation of geochemical data (35%)

III. Questions and exercises

- Questions and problems after each lecture (30%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Modern Analytical Geochemistry: An Introduction to Quantitative Chemical Analysis Techniques for Earth, Environmental and Materials Scientists 1st Edition
- Robin Gill Routledge Published May 28, 1997 Textbook - 342 Pages ISBN 9780582099449

Journals:

- Geostandards and Geoanalytical Research, Wiley
- Analyst, Royal Society of Chemistry
- Journal of Radioanalytical and Nuclear Chemistry, Springer

WEB PAGE:

<http://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL451>

OΠΠ-Y02 CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY AND MINERAL GENESIS – MINERALS AND MATERIALS SCIENCE

Instructors: P. Voudouris (pvoudouris@geol.uoa.gr); A. Godelitsas.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

ΟΠΠ-Υ03 GEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK AND MAPPING

Instructors: M. Stamatakis (stamatakis@geol.uoa.gr); S. Kili-as; A. Argyraki; I. Mitsis; H. Vasilatos; E. Kelep-ertzis; P. Voudouris; M. Kati; A. Magganas; K. Kyriakopoulos; P. Pomonis; A. Godelitsas; D. Kostopoulos; E. Skourtsos.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Επιστημονικής Περιοχής, Γενικού υποβάθρου, Ανάπτυξης δεξιοτήτων

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

NA

CONTENT:

NA

TEACHING METHODS:

– NA

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

I. Textbooks

- ΛΟΖΙΟΣ, Σ., ΣΟΥΚΗΣ, Κ. & ΑΝΤΩΝΙΟΥ, Β., 2015, Γεωλογική Χαρτογράφηση και Ασκήσεις Υπαίθρου, Ελληνικά Ακαδημαϊκά Ηλεκτρονικά Συγγράμματα και Βοηθήματα, Σύνδεσμος Ελληνικών Ακαδημαϊκών Βιβλιοθηκών (kallipos.gr), 280 σελ.
- BENNISON, M., G., OLVER, A., P. & MOSELEY, A., K., C., 2011, Introduction to Geological Structures and Maps, 168p., Routledge.
- COE, L. A. (editor), ARGLES, W. T., ROTHERY, A. D., SPICER, A. R., 2010, Geological Field Techniques, 323p., Wiley-Blackwell.
- FRY, N., 1997, The Field Description of Metamorphic Rocks, 128p., John Wiley & Sons.
- JERAM, D. & PETFORD, N., 2011, The Field Description of Igneous Rocks (Geological Field Guide), 238p., Wiley-Blackwell.
- LISLE, J. R., BRABHAM, P., BARNES, J., 2011, Basic Geological Mapping, 217p., Wiley-Blackwell.
- Mc CLAY, K., 1991, The Mapping of Geological Structures, 168p., Wiley-Blackwell.

- ΤΡΑΝΟΣ Μ., 2011, Γεωλογικές χαρτογραφήσεις – Γεωλογικοί χάρτες και τομές, 306σελ., University Studio Press.
- TUCKER, E. M., 2011, Sedimentary Rocks in the Field: A Practical Guide (Geological Field Guide), 275p., Wiley-Blackwell.

Journals

- Journal of Maps, Editor-in-Chief: Dr Mike Smith, Taylor & Francis Group.

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL290/>

4.2.2.B. ELECTIVE COURSES

ΟΠΠ-E01 MAGMATISM AND GEOTECTONIC ENVIRONMENT

Instructors: A. Magganas(amagganas@geol.uoa.gr); K. Kyriakopoulos; P. Pomonis; Ch. Stouraiti.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Specialist background, general knowledge skills and skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course deals with the magmatic processes associated with the various geotectonic environments and in particular with the provision of knowledge focused on geological, petrological and geochemical processes related with the formation of magmas and magmatic rocks on a global scale. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- Know the processes of partial melting of the mantle, the types of primary magmas and the magmatic sources.
- Understand the role of differentiation of magmas in different geotectonic environments.
- Know the evolution of magmatic activity in geological time.
- Understand the magmatic processes of the geotectonic environments related with subduction zones.
- Be aware of the processes of formation of granitoids on continental margins and collision systems.
- Understand the magmatic processes in within plates as well as in layered and alkaline complexes
- To know the methods of modeling the magmatic processes.
- To know the igneous provinces of Greece.
- Understand and apply field research methods related to the study of igneous rocks.

General Skills and Competencies:

- Search, analyze and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Autonomous work.
- Teamwork.
- Problem solving ability.
- Decision-making.
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

Petrotectonic associations (e.g. Mid-Ocean ridge, Subduction, Mantle Plumes, Layered Intrusions, alkali complexes). Oceanic

core complexes. Exhumation of mantle rocks and subsequent sedimentary rock deposits in ophiolitic complexes - ophiolites. Phase Diagrams, Thermodynamics of magmas, Petrological reactions, magmatic components, exsolution of volatile magma components, unmixing of magmas, geothermobarometry of magmatic systems, heat transfer to magmas and rocks. Igneous provinces of Greece. Case studies of igneous rocks in Greece, e.g. Rhodope, Central Macedonia, Continental Greece, Aegean, Cyclades, Crete.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises using samples of minerals and rocks, optical microscopes, electron microscopy and X-ray diffractometry

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, video).

In Student Communication:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform (announcements, information, messages, notes, presentations, tasks).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	40
Practical exercises	12
Study visits	20
Study and analysis of literature	78
Writing essays	39
Preparation of students for evaluation	26
Total	215 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The student evaluation includes written essay on a subject suggested by the teachers in co-operation with the trainees and an oral exam with a presentation of the essay at PowerPoint. The final grade is the sum of the grade of the written essay and the score of the presentation.

The weight will be 60% for the oral presentation and 40% for the written essay.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Best, M.G. (2002): Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology (2nd Edition), p. 752.
- Philpotts, A. & Ague, J.J. (2009): Principles of Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology (2nd Edition), p. 684.
- Wilson, B.M. (1989): Igneous Petrogenesis A Global Tectonic Approach., Springer Science & Business Media, p. 466.
- Winter, J.D. (2009): Principles of Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology (2nd Edition), p. 720.

WEB PAGE:

<http://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL446>

ΟΠΠ-E02 GEOCHEMICAL EXPLORATION METHODS

Instructors: A. Argyraki (argyraki@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Specific background, skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This course focuses on cutting edge methodology for separation of geochemical anomalies linked either to the presence of underground ore deposits or environmental pollution sources.

By successfully completing the course, students will be capable of:

- Applying appropriate statistical methods for the interpretation of geochemical data aiming to describe the geochemical patterns in areas of interest.
- Identifying the factors affecting the geochemical background in study areas and distinguish significant from insignificant geochemical anomalies.
- Applying appropriate geostatistical methods for geochemical mapping in various spatial scales.
- Undertaking responsibility for the strategic planning of geochemical surveys for mineral exploration and environmental research.

General Skills:

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information taking advantage of the use of appropriate technologies
- Decision making
- Independent coursework
- Team coursework
- Development of new scientific ideas
- Respect to the natural environment
- Promotion of free and creative thinking

CONTENT:

Principles of applied geochemistry for detection of anomalies linked to covered ore deposits or pollution sources. Primary and secondary dispersion patterns of chemical elements in geological media. Statistical treatment of geochemical data-estimation of geochemical background concentrations and detection of significant geochemical anomalies. Geochemical mapping from local to global scales. The course includes practical exercises based on computer software use and literature data.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Live lectures supported also by material in e-class

- Treatment of data by using appropriate software installed on student's computer

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations ppt of the course lectures as well as relative bibliographic material are found in the website of the course at the e-class platform.

In Student Communication:

- The e-class platform provides opportunities of direct communication with the students, submission of coursework and exercises, etc.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and computer lab exercises	40(4x10)
Homework- literature study	100
Student oral presentations for assessment	60(2x3)
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Students are examined in Greek or English language. The final assessment involves a series of requirements including:

I. Oral presentations

- Relevant topic of geochemical anomalies (35%)

II. Term paper

- Focused on treatments and interpretation of geochemical data (35%)

III. Questions and exercises

- Questions and problems after each lecture (30%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks:

- Handbook of Exploration and Environmental Geochemistry. Geochemical Anomaly and Mineral Prospectivity Mapping in GIS. Edited by Emmanuel John M. Carranza. Volume 11, Pages III-VIII, 3-351 (2009) ISBN: 978-0-444-51325-0 ISSN: 1874-2734

Journals:

- Journal of Geochemical Exploration, Elsevier
- Applied Geochemistry, Elsevier
- Geochemistry: Exploration Environment Analysis, Geoscience World

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL452>

ΟΠΠ-E03 MINERAL RESOURCES, MINING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Instructors: [S. Kilias \(kilias@geol.uoa.gr\)](mailto:kilias@geol.uoa.gr); H. Vasilatos; M. Stamatakis; I. Mitsis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Special background, skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites Though not typically compulsory prerequisites, adequate basic knowledge from Geology, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Ecology, and Finance, are considered assets for successful enrollment.

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: Yes in English. ERASMUS+ agreement between Stockholm University and the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens is in effect. Contact: Professor Stephanos Kilias (tel.: +30-210-7274211; kilias@geol.uoa.gr).

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This course aims to highlight, and teach the students, recent interdisciplinary concepts, and, geoenvironmental and socioeconomic strategies, for sustainably exploiting mineral resources. Emphasis is given to: (i) the basic principles mineral deposit genesis and exploration on land and the modern seafloor; (ii) the geoenvironmental models of mineral deposits that integrate all the data from a mining project, from exploration to post-mining; (iii) the institutional, technological and socioeconomic framework, of mineral exploration, mining and environmental protection, in the European Union, and Greece, and, (iv) principles of educating the future "resource geologist", and, (v) societal issues related to exploration operations, mine opening and closure, site rehabilitation, impact mitigation and long-term monitoring. Laboratory work introduces ore study in reflected light microscopy, and applications to ore genesis, geoenvironmental models and metal beneficiation and extraction.

On successful completion of this module, and in relation to the relevant study fields/subjects outlined below students will have:

- Advanced modern scientific **knowledge** and research methodologies, involving a critical understanding of theories and principles, as the basis for original thinking and/or research.
- Advanced **skills**, demonstrating mastery and innovation, required to solve complex, and integrate knowledge from different fields. Also, necessary learning skills in order to continue studying to a doctoral level.
- The **ability** to efficiently and clearly communicate advanced and highly specialized knowledge and concepts, and review and develop performance of self and others.

Outline of fields of study:

- Future global mineral resources (ores, industrial minerals, building stones and aggregates) and sustainable development.

- Critical metals in strategic energy technologies.
- Formation and exploration for mining resources from the deep seafloor.
- Introduction to geoenvironmental models of mineral deposits and the “Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)” approach.
- The institutional, technological and socioeconomic framework, of mineral exploration, mining and environmental protection, in the European Union, and Greece.

General Skills:

- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information using appropriate technologies.
- Autonomous work
- Team work
- Decision making
- Formulation of new research ideas
- Respect for natural environment

CONTENT:**A. Lectures**

- Future global mineral resources— Metals and Minerals, now and in the future (new technologies, the energy revolution and the future availability of mineral resources).
- An interdisciplinary approach to the environmental geology and geochemistry of mineral deposits—Geoenvironmental models of mineral deposit—Mobility, bioavailability, and human toxicity of metals.
- Should we mine mineral resources from the deep seafloor? benefits, costs, and uncertainties.
- Environment friendly sourcing of Critical Metals in the EU and basic principles of exploration on land and the seafloor.
- Mineral Exploration: Geological and geographical factors affecting deposit prospectivity, Exploration techniques, process, and budget, Discovery strategy and success, Methods of economic assessment of mineral resources, Future for discovery.
- Mineral resources in the EU—Raw materials initiative, Critical metals, EuroGeoSurveys-The Geological Surveys of Europe (EGS), Sustainable Mining, Horizon 2020, Blue Mining: breakthrough solutions for sustainable deep sea mining, X-MINE Project {Real-time mineral X-Ray analysis for efficient and sustainable mining}.
- Institutional and legal framework for mineral resources in Greece—Mineral wealth of Greece, National policy for mineral resources, Greek mining code.
- Industrial minerals and environmental friendly uses:
- Raw materials used in pozzolanic cements –Benefits and drawbacks of pozzolanas
- The role of major and trace elements of cement raw materials in the quality assurance of cementitious compounds [Hg, Tl, Cr, Mg, K+Na]
- Environmentally friendly fire retardants [magnesium and aluminum compounds]
- Industrial absorbents for oil spills, olive oil mill wastes, contaminated lands
- Raw materials used in insulation and refractories
- Asbestos.

B. Laboratories:

- Identify ore minerals and interpret ore textures and alteration assemblages under a microscope in reflected and transmitted light. Applications to ore genesis, geoenvironmental models and metal beneficiation and extraction.

C. Field exercises and visits

Operating mines, extraction and beneficiation facilities and mine rehabilitation sites.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Oral lectures
- Laboratory work introduces ore study in reflected light microscopy.
- Educational and training visits to active mining, ore beneficiation, and environmental rehabilitation sites.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- Slide presentation software PowerPoint is integral to lecturing. PowerPoint lecture presentations, reading lists and relevant bibliography are uploaded in “E-class”, i.e. a National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA) integrated management system for electronic courses. Electronic submission of student course work, term papers etc. via e-class.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lecture	36 (4x9)
Laboratory work	16 (4x4)
Assessment preparation and completion (Literature review)	50
Field exercise / Educational visits	40
Assessment preparation and completion [Oral presentation (including preparation)]	20
Assessment preparation and completion [Project (Essay)]	60
Directed research and reading (Writing up of lecture notes)	10
Total	232 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

I. **Written assignments.** Formulation of the geoenvironmental model of a Greek epithermal Cu-Au-Te deposit, and proposals for environmental friendly metal extraction methods (1500-2000 words; weight: 40% of total grade).

II. **20' Oral presentation.** Linked to (I); weight: 25% of total.

III. **Report(s)**, regarding the benefits from visiting active mining and ore beneficiation facilities, and environmental rehabilitation sites; Weight: 35% of final grade.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Revuelta, M.B., 2017. Mineral Resources: From Exploration to Sustainability Assessment. Springer.
- Plumlee, G.S., 1999, The environmental geology of mineral deposits, in Plumlee, G.S., and Logsdon, M.J., eds., The Envi-

ronmental Geochemistry of Mineral Deposits-Part A; Processes, methods, and health issues: Society of Economic Geologists-Reviews in Economic Geology, Volume 6A.

Journals:

- Economic Geology, Elsevier
- Mineralium Deposita, Springer
- Journal of Geochemical Exploration, Elsevier

WEB PAGE:

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ΟΠΠ-E04 CONTINENTAL AND MARINE VOLCANISM – ENVIRONMENTAL VOLCANOLOGY

Instructors: K. Kyriakopoulos (ckiriako@geol.uoa.gr); A. Maganas.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

OΠΠ-E05 GENESIS-DIAGENESIS OF SEDIMENTARY DEPOSITS

Instructors: M. Kati (kati@geol.uoa.gr); I. Megremi.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: General background, General knowledge specialization, Skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical and Laboratory exercises, field exercise, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: ΟΠΠ-E01 και ΟΠΠ-E04

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course focuses on advanced topics of petrogenesis of sedimentary deposits with emphasis on their origin, genetic mechanisms, depositional systems and diagenetic modifications in space and time. On successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

- Interpret the depositional processes and environments through the study of their composition, textures and structures.
- Comprehend the tectonic setting of the sedimentary basins in which sedimentary deposits have formed.
- Interpret sedimentary successions through facies analysis, facies associations and facies models.
- Comprehend the role of climate, eustasy and tectonics in the development of sedimentary facies.
- Interpret the diagenetic environments in which the various post-depositional changes have taken place through the study of the products of the related diagenetic processes.
- Construct paragenetic sequences and draw conclusions on the evolution of porosity.
- Combine and evaluate the depositional and diagenetic characteristics of the sedimentary rocks in the exploration and exploitation of mineral resources and ores, in industrial applications and also in paleogeographic, paleoclimatic and archaeometric studies.
- Apply mineralogical, petrographic and geochemical methods and techniques that are widely used in the research and uses of the sedimentary rocks.

General Skills:

- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Design and project management.
- Independent work.
- Teamwork.
- Work in inter-disciplinary environment.
- Decision-making.
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

A. Lectures

The lectures of the course include the following topics:

- Origin and genetic factors and processes of the sedimentary deposits.
- Sedimentary basins and their main rock types.
- Siliciclastic and carbonate depositional systems.
- Interpretation of sedimentary successions – Facies analysis, Facies models.
- Clastic, biological and chemical facies models.
- Diagenetic stages and realms.
- Diagenetic sequences and patterns.
- Evolution of porosity.
- Geochemical research and diagenesis.
- Distribution of the main sedimentary deposits and formations in the Hellenides and their uses.

B. Practical and Laboratory Exercises

Part A: Methodology and application of the petrographic analysis in the interpretation of the depositional and diagenetic features of the sedimentary rocks.

Part B: Methodology and application of laboratory techniques that are widely used in the research of sedimentary rocks.

C. Field Exercise

Practice in facies analysis and construction of graphic logs and columns of sedimentary successions. Methodology of the sedimentary facies mapping.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures.
- Face-to-face practical and laboratory exercises using samples of sediments and sedimentary rocks, optical microscopes, X-ray diffractometer and other specialized instruments and materials
- Face-to-face practical exercises in the field exercise.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- In Teaching:
 - PowerPoint presentations, videos with relevant content.
- In Student Communication:
 - Support for learning through the digital e-class platform of the NKUA (announcements, information, messages, notes, tasks)

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	52 (4h x 13 w)
Practical and Laboratory Exercises	30 (3h x 10 w)
Individual training tasks	40
Field Exercise	12
Preparation of students for evaluation	60
Total	194 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The evaluation process is conducted in Greek or English (for foreign students or students of Erasmus Programme). The final grade of the course is based on exams that include an oral presentation and a written essay on a subject suggested by the instructors in cooperation with the trainees, and with the following severity:

- Oral presentation (60% of the final grade)
- Written essay (40% of the final grade)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Blatt, H. & Tracy R.J. (1996). Sedimentary Rocks. In: Petrology: Igneous, Sedimentary, and Metamorphic (2nd edition). Freeman and Company, New York, 514 p.
- Boggs, S.Jr. (2009). Petrology of sedimentary rocks (2nd edition). Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 600 p.
- Burley, S. & Worden, R. (2003). Sandstone Diagenesis: Recent and Ancient. Reprint Series of the IAS, Vol. 4, Blackwell Publishing, 649 p.
- Catuneanu, O. (2006). Principles of Sequence stratigraphy. Elsevier, 375 p.
- Coe, A. (2003). The sedimentary Record of Sea-Level Change. Cambridge University Press, 279 p.
- Einsele, G. (2000). Sedimentary Basins (2nd edition). Springer, 792 p.
- James, N.P. & Dalrymple, R.W. (2010). Facies Models 4. GEOtext 6, Geological Association of Canada, 586 p.
- James, N.P. & Jones, B. (2016). The origin of carbonate sedimentary rocks. John Wiley and Sons Ltd, UK, 446 p.
- Mackenzie, F.T. (2005). Sediments, Diagenesis, and Sedimentary Rocks. Treatise on Geochemistry, Vol. 7, Elsevier, 425 p.
- MacIlreath, I.A. & Morrow D.W. (1990). Diagenesis. Geoscience Canada Reprint series vol. 4, 338 p.
- Morad, S., Ketzer, J.M. & De Ros, L.F. (2012). Linking Diagenesis to Sequence Stratigraphy. Special Publication of the IAS, no 45, Wiley-Blackwell, 522 p.
- Scholle, P.A. & Umber-Scholle, D.S. (2003). A color guide to the Petrography of Carbonate Rocks. Memoir 77, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Tulsa, OK., 474 p.
- Tucker, M.E. (2001). Sedimentary Petrology (3rd edition). Blackwell Science, 262 p.
- Tucker, M.E. (2011). Sedimentary Rocks in the field (4th edition). Wiley & Sons Ltd, 275 p.
- Umber-Scholle, D.S., Scholle, P.A., Schieber J. & Raine R. (2014). A color guide to the Petrography of Sandstones, Siltstones, Shales and Associated Rocks. Memoir 109, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Tulsa, OK., 526 p.

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ΟΠΠ-E06 METAMORPHIC PETROGENETIC PROCESSES

Instructors: D. Kostopoulos (dkostop@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specific background, specialisation of general knowledge and skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical and laboratory work, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites Typically none. However, to be able to attend the course, the students should have a decent background on undergraduate-level mineralogy, petrology, mathematics, physics and chemistry. Good knowledge of Microsoft Excel is considered a must.

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course offers advanced knowledge in the field of metamorphic rocks which, mantle included, make up 99.5% of the Earth. It requires a solid background in mineralogy, petrology, mathematics, physics and chemistry, since it deals particularly with problems whose solution requires the use of thermodynamics. During the course, the physicochemical processes that cause mineralogical transformations within the Earth are studied as a function of temperature, pressure, time and deformation. This provides fundamental insight on the composition of the lithospheric mantle beneath continents and oceans, the state of mantle oxidation beneath mid-ocean ridges and island arcs, the mineralogical transformations that take place in oceanic crust at subduction zones and on how these transformations can affect magma generation, seismicity and the velocity of seismic waves. It also sheds ample light on phase changes in continental crust at collision zones in time and space, on the transport of water and carbon dioxide in the deep interior of the Earth and their back-release to the atmosphere influencing climate, and on diamond formation (where and how). It additionally stresses the contribution of metamorphic processes to the generation of abiotic hydrocarbons and proteins at great depths in the oceans and the origin of life on Earth.

After successful completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- Describe clearly the mechanisms of mineral transformations within the Earth when physicochemical conditions change.
- Evaluate the effects of the reactions occurring in rocks on the rheology of crust and mantle, magmatism, climate and seismicity.
- Accurately calculate the temperature and pressure conditions recorded by the rocks during their journey inside or at the surface of the Earth, as well as the times required for thermo-tectonic events to occur on both the macro- (e.g., subduction and collision zones) and micro-scale (e.g., chemical zoning in minerals).

- Combine physicochemical information from minerals and suggest the spatio-temporal evolution of the rocks that contain them, support the possibility of recycling light elements and volatiles via oceanic subduction zones, reconcile the concepts of metamorphism, seismicity and magmatism, provide clear documentation of their arguments, revise holding opinions and produce new knowledge.
- Assess the contribution of physicochemical processes occurring in oceanic mantle rocks to the creation of life on the planet.

General Skills:

- Search, analyse and synthesise data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Ability to apply knowledge to problem solving
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking
- Respect for the natural environment

CONTENT:

A. Lectures

The content of the lectures is separated into four thematic modules:

- HEAT FLOW ON EARTH** (Heat and heat sources, heat generation and heat transfer mechanisms, heat flow, heat state of crust, mantle and core, continental and oceanic geotherms, mantle adiabat, mineral stratification of the upper mantle, thermal regime of continental collision and thermal evolution of thickened crust. Lithostatic pressure, thermodynamic pressure and tectonic overpressure, spatial distribution of pressure and temperature in crustal-scale shear zones, geotectonic environments and geothermal gradients).
- INTRACRYSTALLINE ION DIFFUSION, CLOSURE TEMPERATURE AND OROGEN COOLING** (Fick's laws, diffusivity, concentration gradients, diffusivity hierarchy in metamorphic minerals, the effect of mineral chemical composition and oxygen fugacity on diffusivity. Chemical zonation and elemental mineral maps, evaluation of the potential use of minerals as chronometers and trace-element thermometers. Closure temperature, mineral geometry effect on diffusion and cooling rate of orogens).
- OCEANIC SUBDUCTION ZONES** Young/old lithosphere, fast/slow subduction, dry/dump/wet rheology, spatial distribution of isotherms, global water flux at subduction zones, metamorphic facies and assemblages in dry/hydrated/ enriched/depleted mantle peridotite, in hydrothermally-altered volcanic rocks, in clay-rich/silica-rich/carbonate-rich sediments. Dehydration reactions and melting, metamorphism and electrical conductivity in the wedge wedge, spatial distribution of metamorphic facies, mineral density and seismic wave velocities).
- THERMODYNAMIC APPLICATIONS IN PETROLOGY** (Laws of thermodynamics, enthalpy, entropy, heat capacity, compressibility, expansivity, chemical potential, Gibbs and Helmholtz free energy, equations of state. Clausius-Clapeyron equation, excess free energy of mixing, ther-

modynamic mineral models, equilibrium constant, water phase diagram, density and relative dielectric constant of water at geological conditions, metamorphic reactions as geological thermometers and barometers).

B. Practicals

The content of the practicals is separated into three thematic modules:

PART A': Exercises on heat flow in the crust and mantle. Calculation of radiogenic heat production and content of radioactive isotopes in the crust and mantle. Calculation of the mantle adiabat. Calculation of oceanic geotherm. Calculation of steady-state continental geotherm as a function of surface heat flow.

PART B': Exercises on intracrystalline ion diffusion and closure temperature. Effect of mineral geometry, chemical composition, oxygen fugacity and cooling rate. Calculation of chemical zoning in minerals and investigation of the suitability of minerals as chronometers and thermometers.

PART C': Exercises on thermodynamics. Calculation of boundaries of metamorphic reactions (ideal end members and solid solutions, reactions with and without water, investigation of the importance of compressibility and heat capacity in the calculations), aluminosilicate boundaries and triple point, upper-mantle facies boundaries, boundary of ultrahigh-pressure metamorphism, boundary of high-pressure metamorphic facies, applications of geothermobarometers in the crust and mantle.

C. Laboratory training

Use of optical (polarised-light) microscopy for the identification of metamorphic minerals and metamorphic rocks from Greece (Rhodope, Cyclades) and the Scottish Highlands originating from different igneous and sedimentary protoliths.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face to Face (in Lectures, Practicals, and Laboratory Training)
- Using PC/laptop (Lectures and Practicals).
- By demonstrating the methodology of identification of minerals, rock types and metamorphic textures using a transmitting light polarising microscope (in Laboratory Training).
- By demonstrating the methodology of mineral analysis using a scanning electron microscope equipped with an energy dispersive system (in Laboratory Training).

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Delivering lectures of multimedia content (images, animation, video) in PowerPoint Presentation format.
- Solving exercises and creating charts in the practicals with the help of appropriate software (Microsoft Excel).
- Support of learning through the e-class platform (lecture material, essays and exercises are uploaded on the course page in the e-class in Portable Document Format).

In Student Communication:

- E-class enables students to communicate in multiple ways (announcements, information, messages, documents, tasks,

questionnaires, exercises, diaries, user groups, multimedia, links, e-books, etc.).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	26 (2×13)
Practicals	18 (2×9)
Laboratory training	8 (2×4)
Homework, studying and literature review	75 (5×13)
Preparation for the final exam	40 (8×5)
Total	167 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Students are evaluated in Greek (Erasmus students can be assessed in English). The evaluation method, through which the final grade is shaped, includes a series of tests as follows:

I. LECTURES (40%)

- Oral Examination including a PowerPoint presentation of an essay by the students and/or
- Written Examination with Short Response Questions and Multiple Choice Test and/or
- Written Examination with Extended Response Questions

II. PRACTICALS AND LABORATORY TRAINING (60%)

- Practicals: Written Examination (50%)
- Laboratory Training: Oral Examination (10%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks

- Frank S. Spear, 1993. Metamorphic Phase Equilibria and Pressure-Temperature-Time Paths. Monograph, Mineralogical Society of America
- Anthony R. Philpotts & Jay J. Ague, 2009. Principles of Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology (2nd Edition) Cambridge University Press
- Irina M. Artemieva, 2011. The Lithosphere: an interdisciplinary approach. Cambridge University Press
- John D. Winter, 2014. Principles of Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology (2nd Edition) Pearson Education Limited
- Bruce Fegley, 2013. Practical Chemical Thermodynamics for Geoscientists. Academic Press
- Jibamitra Ganguly, 2008. Thermodynamics in Earth and Planetary Sciences. Springer-Verlag
- Roger Powell, 1978. Equilibrium thermodynamics in Petrology. An introduction. Harper & Row Ltd.
- Richard A. Robie & Bruce S. Hemingway, 1995. Thermodynamic Properties of Minerals and Related Substances at 298.15 K and 1 Bar (105 Pascals) Pressure and at Higher Temperatures. US Geological Survey Bulletin 2131
- Shun-ichiro Karato, 2008. Deformation of Earth Materials. Cambridge University Press
- Kurt Stüwe, 2007. Geodynamics of the Lithosphere (2nd Edition) Springer
- Donald L. Turcotte & Gerald Schubert, 2014. Geodynamics (3rd Edition). Cambridge University Press

Journals

- Journal of Petrology (Oxford University Press)
- Journal of Metamorphic Geology (Wiley)
- Lithos (Elsevier)
- Earth and Planetary Science Letters (Elsevier)
- Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta (Elsevier)
- Nature Geoscience (Nature Publishing Group)
- Scientific Reports (Nature Research)
- Contributions to Mineralogy and Petrology (Springer Link)

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ΟΠΠ-E07 WASTE MANAGEMENT

Instructors: Ch. Stouraiti (chstouraiti@geol.uoa.gr); I. Megremi

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: NA

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical exercises, field-work; 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: Environmental Geochemistry

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: Yes, in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

NA

CONTENT:

NA.

TEACHING METHODS:

NA.

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Misra, K. (2017). Introduction to Geochemistry: principles and applications. Wiley- Blackwell

Journals:

- Waste Management, Elsevier
- Journal of Hazardous Materials, Elsevier
- Chemosphere, Elsevier

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<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL299>

ΟΠΠ-E08 RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND SCIENTIFIC WRITING

Instructors: S. Kiliias (kiliias@geol.uoa.gr).

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Ειδικού υποβάθρου, ανάπτυξης δεξιοτήτων

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English. ERASMUS+ agreement between Stockholm University and the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens is in effect. Contact: Professor Stephanos Kiliias, tel.: +30-210-7274211; / +30-6944884561 (mobile); e-mail: kiliias@geol.uoa.gr

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This module will provide the students with the necessary **knowledge** and information, and teach them the required **skills** to positively perform their own academic research leading to a M.Sc. degree. The module will focus on teaching the students to prepare and express their own research ideas, develop those ideas into scientific study projects, undertake scientific research and produce analysis data, analyze the results of their study, organize and write a thesis and distribute the results of that research. On successful completion of this module, students will have the capability to :

- Analyze and interpret data using appropriate numerical techniques supported by relevant software
- Design, plan and carry out research projects
- Write scientific or consultancy reports
- Use scientific databases and efficiently find key findings in research literature.

Skills

- Planning and organization of research
- Scientific problem solving
- Basic statistics
- Computer knowledge
- Data analysis, presentation and interpretation
- Resource database usage; and,
- Written and oral scientific communication skills.

General Competencies:

- Researching, and, data and information analysis and synthesis, using appropriate technology.
- Independent work
- Decision making
- Research hypothesis formation
- Writing scientific reports

CONTENT:

- Hypothesis driven and exploratory research.
- h-index, i10-index
- Scientific sins (plagiarism, fraud etc.)

- Literature research for proposals, reviews and discussions, Scientific hypothesis, researching the hypothesis, reputable (and disreputable) sources of data, databases and search engines), writing a literature review
- Scientific experiments, experimental approaches, fundamentals of experimental design.
- Carrying our research-project planning, project inception report structure, work programme/timetable/plans, risk to human health, project risk, efficient execution of project plan, effective management of experiment and analyses.
- Presenting your findings, Dissertation and papers, introduction to (good!) academic writing, writing a publication, publish or perish?
- Dissertation: Dissertation structure, Dissertation tips, Methods, Results, Discussion, Referencing, citations in the text and citation list, use of figures.
- Conferences, Posters, Oral presentations
- Data presentation and analysis
- Effective use of scientific data in papers and dissertations
- Critical thinking (Inference, Interpretation, Deduction, Recognition of assumptions, Evaluation of arguments).

Practicals

- Basic statistics and data presentation

TEACHING METHODS:

- Lecture
- Computer practicals

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- Slide presentation software PowerPoint is integral to lecturing. PowerPoint lecture presentations, reading lists and relevant bibliography are uploaded in "E-class", i.e. a National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA) integrated management system for electronic courses. Electronic submission of student course work, term papers etc. via e-class.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	40 (4x10)
Assessment preparation and completion (Literature review)	40
Assessment preparation and completion [Project (Essay, Project inception re-port(PIR)]	50
Assessment preparation and completion [Oral PIR presentation (including preparation)]	10
Independent study	50
Directed research and reading (Writing up of lecture notes)	25
Practical	12(4x3)
Total	227 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- I. **Written exercise/Essay.** Peer Assessment Exercise (1500-2000 words, percentage 25%).

- II. **Research proposal/Dissertation** Project Inception Report(PIR) (approx. 5 pages, percentage 50%).

- III. **15' Oral presentation** Linked to PIR (percentage 25%).

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks:

- MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ACADEMIC INTEGRITY, A HANDBOOK FOR STUDENTS. 2013 Why and what to cite. <http://integrity.mit.edu/citing-your-sources/avoiding-plagiarism-cite-your-source>.
- NATURE, NATURE GEOSCIENCE, GUIDE TO AUTHORS. 2013. Editorial policies, including the guide for referees. <http://www.nature.com/authors/gta.pdf>.
- NIELSEN, K. H. 2012. Scientific Communication and the Nature of Science. Science & Education, 1-20.
- GRAUE, B. 2006. The transformative power of reviewing. Educational Researcher, 36-41.
- ARMSTRONG, J. S. 1997. Peer review for journals: Evidence on quality control, fairness, and innovation. Science and engineering ethics, 3(1), 63-84.
- COMMITTEE ON [PUBLICATION ETHICS, RESOURCES, CODE OF CONDUCT](#), 2011.
- [A Guide to Writing Scientific Essays](#)
- Robert A. Day, [How to Write and Publish a Scientific Paper](#), Cambridge University Press 1989.

Journals:

- Educational Research-Taylor and Francis
- Science & Education - Springer

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OIII-E09 RISK ASSESSMENT OF POLLUTION

Instructors: E. Kelepertzis (keleper@geol.uoa.g); I. Megremi.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specific background, skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites a) Methods of geochemical exploration, b) Mineral resources - mining activity and sustainable development

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course focuses on the understanding of interactions between anthropogenic activities and the natural environment and the risk assessment of geoenvironment pollution. Emphasis is given to soil and water systems and the importance of pollution evaluation for the well-being of plants and humans. Case studies with environmental data from various areas of Greece are presented targeting to the development of critical thinking of students and the scientifically-based approach of modern environmental problems. At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

- Apply appropriate methods with the aim to determine the natural and anthropogenic sources of chemical elements enrichment in environmental samples.
- Treat and evaluate environmental data for risk assessment of pollution.
- Combine mineralogy and geochemistry knowledge for the integrated understanding and assessment of mobility and environmental availability of chemical elements in the surficial environment.
- Apply proper methodology for the quantification of risk that arises from the occurrence of potentially toxic elements in environmental samples.
- To process geochemical samples in the laboratory aiming to their environmental characterization and the assessment of environmental availability of potentially toxic elements.

General Skills:

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information taking advantage of the use of appropriate technologies
- Making decisions
- Independent coursework
- Team coursework
- Development of new scientific ideas
- Respect to the natural environment
- Promotion of free and creative thinking

CONTENT:

A. Lectures:

The course lectures include the presentation of the following thematic topics:

- Introduction to fundamental concepts related to environmental pollution
- Occurrence of chemical elements in soil and water systems
- Natural and anthropogenic sources of enrichment
- Geochemical forms of trace elements
- Mobility and environmental availability of trace elements in the surficial environment
- Analytical methods of determination of elemental environmental availability
- Urban geochemistry
- Pollution of water systems with N,P
- Methodology of risk assessment according to the U.S.EPA model
- Critical loads and environmental quality limits in soil and waters
- Interaction of chemical elements in the rock-soil-plant system

Furthermore, case studies of pollution evaluation related to urban soils from Athens, as well as agricultural soils from Thiva, Argos and Nemea regions are presented. Emphasis is also given to the environmental occurrence of hexavalent chromium in diverse water systems of Greece.

B. Problem sets and laboratory exercises

Part A: Treatment of soil and water geochemical data for pollution evaluation with the use of appropriate statistical programme.

Part B: Laboratory exercises: processing of geochemical samples (soil, plants), dissolution with weak chemical reagents and chemical measurements of trace elements by atomic absorption spectroscopy.

C. Field excursion: Practice in sampling soils and surface waters.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lecturing
- Treatment of data with the use of statistical programme installed on student's computer
- Laboratory exercises
- Field excursion

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations ppt of the course lectures as well as relative bibliographic material are found in the website of the course at the e-school platform.

In Student Communication:

- The e-school platform gives opportunity of direct communication with the students, submission of coursework and exercises, etc

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and exercises of data treatment	32 (4h × 8w)
Laboratory exercises	16 (4h × 4 w)
Homework	70
Field excursion	8
Student preparation for the	70

evaluation	
Total	196 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The language evaluation is Greek. The final grade is modulated as follows:

I. Oral presentation

The topic of the oral presentation is relative to the environmental occurrence and behavior of potentially toxic elements (**35% of final grade**)

II. Coursework

Treatment of geochemical data (soils, plants) and pollution evaluation (**35% of final grade**)

III. Questionnaires and short exercises

'Next-day' assignments including multiple choice test questions, short questions and/or exercises (**30% of final grade**)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbook:

- Brian J. Alloway (2013). Heavy metals in soils: Trace metals and metalloids in soil and their bioavailability. Third Edition, Springer.

Journals:

- Applied Geochemistry, Elsevier
- Journal of Exploration Geochemistry, Elsevier
- Science of the Total Environment, Elsevier
- Environmental Pollution, Elsevier

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ΟΠΠ-E10 MINERAL GENESIS IN GREECE AND EUROPE – CRITICAL MINERAL RESOURCES IN THE EU

Instructors: S. Klilias (kilias@geol.uoa.gr); P. Voudouris.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

ΟΠΠ-E11 BUILDING STONES AND AGGREGATES - GEMOLOGY

Instructors: P. Pomonis (ppomonis@geol.uoa.gr); M. Kati; P. Voudouris.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specialist background, general knowledge skills and skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites

ΟΠΠ-E01 Magmatism and Geotectonic Environment

ΟΠΠ-E04 Continental and Marine Volcanism – Environmental Volcanology

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course deals with applications and uses of minerals and rocks and in particular with the knowledge of research on clay and artificial aggregates, building stones and precious and semi-precious stones. Upon successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

- Recognize natural and artificial aggregates.
- Understand the role of petrography in the mechanical behaviour of building stones and aggregates.
- Be familiar with the laboratory methods for the evaluation of structural raw materials.
- Have the relevant knowledge of the mining sites and the environmental problems that arise.
- Have information on specifications and exploitation laws.
- Recognize the most important natural precious and semi-precious stones and how they are made.
- Be aware of the methods of diagnosis and identification of gems.
- Be aware of methods of producing synthetic gemstones.
- Be aware of the techniques of processing and optimizing gems.

General Skills:

The general competencies that students should have in mind are the following:

- Search, analyze and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Autonomous work.
- Teamwork.
- Problem solving ability.
- Decision-making.
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

Limestones, marbles, ophicalcites, granites, peridotites, volcanic rocks, detrital sedimentary rocks, gypsum, ceramics, etc. rocks as building and decorative materials. Physical properties, typical uses. Historical value. Technical - mechanical characteristics and behavior of materials in use and in time. Harmful elements on building stones, control and protection measures. Specification and legality of mining, marketing and use. Technical Mineralogy - Petrography and Rock Mechanics. Greek Quar-ries and Environmental Problems. Geological framework for the origin of building and decorative stones. Historical and modern use of stones. Evaluation methodology - recycling of sterile materials. Mineralogy of the most important semi-precious stones, geological framework of genesis, research-estimation methodology. Synthetic gems. Determination of stones by: refractive index, absorption spectrum, specific gravity, relative density, radioscopy. Inclusions as an indication of the origin of stones. Artificial processing and optimization. Diamond, emerald, ruby, sapphire, pearls and tourmalines: identification, varieties and qualities. The gems of Greece. Prospects for future exploitation. Aesthetic minerals, collections, trade and museum design. Stones and stamps. Uses-meaning from Antiquity to the present day.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises using samples of minerals and rocks, optical microscopes, electron microscopy and X-ray diffractometry

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, video).

In Student Communication:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform (announcements, information, messages, notes, presentations, tasks).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/semester
Lectures	40
Practical exercises	12
Study visits	8
Study and analysis of literature	39
Writing essays	39
Preparation of students for evaluation	39
Total	177 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The student evaluation includes written essay on a subject suggested by the teachers in co-operation with the trainees and an oral exam with a presentation of the essay at Powerpoint. The final grade is the sum of the grade of the written essay and the score of the presentation.

The weight will be 60% for the oral presentation and 40% for the written essay.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Τα ελληνικά μάρμαρα & άλλα διακοσμητικά πετρώματα (Τσιραμπίδης Α., University Studio Press, 1996).
- Οδοποιία (Νικολαΐδης, Α., University Studio Press, 2011).
- Stone Conservation: Principles and Practice (Henry, A., Routledge, 2006).
- Aggregates (Smith, M.R. & Collis, L., Geological Society of London, Special Publication No. 17, 2001).
- Petrographic Atlas: Characterisation of Aggregates Regarding Potential Reactivity to Alkalis (Fernandes, I., Ribeiro, M., Maarten A T M Broekmans & Ian Sims, Springer, 2016).
- Gemstones of the World (Schumann, W., Sterling Publishing Co., Inc, 1997).
- Geology of Gems (E. Ia Kievlenko, Ocean Pictures Ltd., 2003).

WEB PAGE:

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ΟΠΠ-E12 METASOMATIC/HYDROTHERMAL ALTERATIONS AND METALLOGENY

Instructors: D. Kostopoulos (dkostop@geol.uoa.gr); P. Voudouris

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

ΟΠΠ-Ε13 THE LITHOLOGIES OF PETROLEUM SYSTEMS

Instructors: M. Kati (kati@geol.uoa.gr).

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specialization, Specific background, Skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical and laboratory exercises, field exercise, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: ΟΠΠ-Ε01 and ΟΠΠ-Ε04

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course is designed to provide specialized knowledge on characteristics and properties of the sedimentary lithologies which are major elements of the petroleum systems regarding the generation, accumulation and storage of hydrocarbons. On successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of specific features of various rock types as source rocks, reservoirs and seals (cap rocks).
- Describe and classify the individual components of a petroleum system.
- Interpret the effect of the depositional and diagenetic features of siliciclastic and carbonate rocks on their porosity modification and evaluate their reservoir quality.
- Interpret mineralogical, petrographic, geochemical, and petrophysical characteristics of source rocks and evaluate their potential through the quantity and quality of their organic matter content.
- Apply the appropriate methods and techniques for determining the properties of rocks during their assessment in the petroleum exploration and exploitation.

General Skills:

- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Design and project management.
- Independent work.
- Teamwork.
- Work in inter-disciplinary environment.
- Decision-making.
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

A. Lectures

The lectures of the course include the follow topics:

- The petroleum system (major element and processes)
- Diagenesis of organic matter and the petroleum formation
- Kerogen types and hydrocarbon potential
- Oil shales, organic-rich mudstones and other lithologies as source rocks

- Siliciclastic and carbonate reservoir rocks (composition, lithofacies, petrophysical properties, diagenetic modifications, evolution of porosity)
- The effect of diagenesis on reservoir quality
- Depositional and diagenetic reservoirs
- Evaporites and mudstones as sealing rocks (types and characteristics)
- Characteristics of major oil fields in the world.

B. Practical and Laboratory Exercises

Part A': Methodology and application of mineralogical and petrographic analysis in hydrocarbon exploration and exploitation.

Part B': Methodology and application of laboratory techniques and interpretation of geochemical and petrophysical data for characterization and assessment of the rocks as main parts of the petroleum systems.

C. Field Exercise

Sites of Western Greece for identification and study of sedimentary rocks and formations that are considered to have played an important role in the formation of hydrocarbons in the wider area.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures.
- Face-to-face practical and laboratory exercises using samples of sediments and sedimentary rocks, optical microscopes, X-ray diffractometer and other specialized instruments and materials
- Face-to-face practical exercises in the field exercise.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- PowerPoint presentations, videos with relevant content.

In Student Communication:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform of the NKUA (announcements, information, messages, notes, tasks)

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	52 (4h x 13 w)
Practical and Laboratory Exercises	36 (3h x 12 w)
Individual training tasks	30
Field Exercise	12
Preparation of students for evaluation	40
Total	170 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The evaluation process is conducted in Greek or English (for foreign students or students of Erasmus Programme). The final grade of the course is based on exams that include an oral presentation and a written essay on a subject suggested by the instructors in cooperation with the trainees, and with the following severity:

- Oral presentation (60% of the final grade)
- Written essay (40% of the final grade)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Berg R.R. (1985). Reservoir Sandstones. Prentice-Hall, Inc., NJ, 481 p.
- Bjørlykke K. (2015). Petroleum Geoscience - From Sedimentary Environments to Rock Physics (2nd edition), Springer, 662 p.
- Emery D. & Robinson A. (1993). Inorganic Geochemistry – Applications to Petroleum Geology. Black well Scientific Publications, 254 p.
- Magoon L.B. & Dow W.G. (1994). The Petroleum System – From Source to Trap. AAPG Memoir vol. 60, Tulsa, OK., 639 p.
- Moore C.H. & Wade W.J. (2013). Carbonate Reservoirs - Porosity and Diagenesis in a Sequence Stratigraphic Framework. Developments in Sedimentology, v. 67, Elsevier, 374 p.
- Russell P.L. (1990). Oil shales of the world: their origin, occurrence, and exploration. Oxford, England, 753p.
- Scholle P.A. & Umber-Scholle D.S. (2003). A color guide to the Petrography of Carbonate Rocks. Memoir 77, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Tulsa, OK., 474 p.
- Scott R. A., Smyth H. R., Morton A.C. & Richardson N. (2014). Sediment Provenance Studies in Hydrocarbon Exploration and Production. Geological Society, London, Sp. Publ., v. 386, 476 pp.
- Selley R.C. & Sonnenberg S.A. (2014). Elements of Petroleum Geology (3rd edition). Elsevier, 515 p.
- Shanmugam G. (2006). Deep-Water Processes and Facies Models - Implications for Sandstone Petroleum Reservoirs. Elsevier, 476 p.
- Tucker M.E. (2001). Sedimentary Petrology (3rd edition). Blackwell Science, 262 p.
- Tucker M.E. (2011). Sedimentary Rocks in the field (4th edition). Wiley & Sons Ltd, 275 p.
- Umber-Scholle D.S., Scholle P.A., Schieber J. & Raine R. (2014). A color guide to the Petrography of Sandstones, Siltstones, Shales and Associated Rocks. Memoir 109, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Tulsa, OK., 526 p.
- Warren J.K. (2016). Evaporites: A Geological Compendium (2nd edition). Springer, 1813 p.

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ΟΠΠ-E14 SUSTAINABLE REMEDIATION OF CONTAMINATED LAND AND WATER

Instructors: A. Argyraki (argyraki@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specific background, skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course builds on knowledge relevant to cutting edge environmental technology for contaminated land and water, with emphasis in non-degradable pollutants such as potentially toxic trace elements. At the end of the course the students should be able to:

- Critically assess remediation methods and techniques based on sustainability criteria and their potential applicability in various cases of pollution.
- Take responsibility and plan innovative applications of geo-materials for the sustainable remediation of contamination.
- Treat, interpret and assess the results of remediation tests.

General Skills:

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information taking advantage of the use of appropriate technologies
- Decision making
- Independent coursework
- Team coursework
- Development of new scientific ideas
- Respect to the natural environment
- Promotion of free and creative thinking

CONTENT:

Comparison of traditional remediation practices for contaminated land (e.g. dig and removal) and water (e.g. pump and treat) with sustainable strategies based on circular economy and the protection of air, water and land. Stabilization methods for inorganic, non-degradable pollutants in soil. Case studies on applications of geo-materials as binders of pollutants in soil and water and the challenge of long term effectiveness of treatments.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Live lectures supported also by material in e-class
- Treatment of data by using appropriate software installed on student's computer

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations ppt of the course lectures as well as relative bibliographic material are found in the website of the course at the e-class platform.

In Student Communication:

- The e-class platform provides opportunities of direct communication with the students, submission of coursework and exercises, etc.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and computer lab exercises	40(4x10)
Homework- literature study	100
Student oral presentations for assessment	60(2x3)
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Students are examined in Greek or English language. The final assessment involves a series of requirements including:

I. Oral presentations

- Relevant topic of in-situ remediation treatment (35%)

II. Term paper

- Focused on treatments and interpretation of geochemical data (35%)

III. Questions and exercises

- Questions and problems after each lecture (30%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbook:

- Soil Remediation and Rehabilitation Treatment of Contaminated and Disturbed Land. Authors: Meuser, Helmut. eBook ISBN: 978-94-007-5751-6. DOI:10.1007/978-94-007-5751-6. 2013, Springer.

Journals:

- Remediation, Wiley
- Journal of Geochemical Exploration, Elsevier
- Applied Geochemistry, Elsevier
- Geochemistry: Exploration Environment Analysis, Geoscience World

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<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL453>

ΟΠΠ-E15 ADVANCED TOPICS IN SEDIMENTARY PETROLOGY

Instructors: M. Kati (kati@geol.uoa.gr); M. Stamatakis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specialist background, general knowledge skills and skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course deals with the profound study of sedimentary rocks. Upon successful completion of the course the student will obtain knowledge in:

- processes of studying the origin of clastic formations and relate it to the tectonic evolution of the area.
- processes of study of marine and non-marine carbonate sedimentation in all environments and their economic significance.
- processes of study of chemical/biochemical (siliceous) and their economic significance.

General Skills:

The general competencies that the students should have acquired and in which the course aims:

- Search, analyse and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Autonomous work and teamwork.
- Ability to apply knowledge in problem solving and decision making.
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

Study of the origin of classical formations. Clay sedimentation: structure, groups, formation in different environments and diagenesis. Soil formation processes, residual deposits. Continental carbonate rocks (inorganic carbonate precipitation, geochemistry diagenesis, palaeoclimatic interpretations). Microbial carbon production system (organically contaminated with microbial deposits). Mudstone rich in organic material (paleogeography and economic importance). Biochemical (bioelemental) systems. Petroleum / petrography of coal - main coal formations of the Greek area.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises of rock samples, using optical microscope, electron microscopy and XRD

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Teaching:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, video).

In Student Communication:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform (announcements, information, messages, notes, presentations, tasks).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	52
Practical exercises	15
Literature	8
Field Exercises, literature re-search	40
Written essay	40
Preparation of students for evaluation	40
Total	195 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The student evaluation includes written essay on a subject suggested by the teachers in co-operation with the trainees and an oral exam with a presentation of the essay at PowerPoint. The final grade is the sum of the grade of the written essay and the score of the presentation. The weight will be 60% for the oral presentation and 40% for the written essay.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Carbonate Sedimentology, Maurice E. Tucker, Blackwell, 2008
- Carbonates in Continental Settings, A.M. Alonso-Zarza & L.H. Tanner, Elsevier, 2010
- Evaporites, John K. Warren, Springer, 2006.
- Facies Models 4, Ed. Noel P. James & Robert W. Dalrymple, Canadian Sedimentology, 2010
- Petrology of Sedimentary Rocks, Sam Boggs, 2nd Edition Cambridge University Press, 2009
- Provenance of Arenites, G. G. Zuffa, Springer, 1985
- Sand and sandstone, Francis J. Pettijohn, Springer, 1972
- Sandstone diagenesis : Recent and ancient, Stuart D. Burley & R.H. Worden, IAS, 2003
- Sedimentary Petrology: An Introduction to the Origin of Sedimentary Rocks 3rd Edition, Maurice E. Tucker, Kindle Edition, 2001

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ΟΠΠ-E16 ARCAEOMETRIC MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY

Instructors: M. Kati (kati@geol.uoa.gr); P. Pomonis; A. Maganas; M. Stamatakis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specialist background, general knowledge skills and skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course deals with the decay of building stone of Ancient and Modern Monuments. Upon successful completion of the course the student will obtain knowledge in:

- The identification of the building stone of our cultural heritage.
- The degree and the causes of monument decay.
- The identification of the origin of ancient and historical building stone.
- The analytical techniques for controlling materials and interventions.
- The preservation and restoration of monuments, sculptures, decorative works, papyri, textiles, seals.
- Mineral and petrographic geotopes of origin.

General Skills:

The general competencies that the students should have acquired and in which the course aims:

- Search, analyse and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Autonomous work. And also teamwork.
- Problem solving ability and decision-making
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

Introduction to the conservation and restoration of monumental building stones. Description, causes and mechanisms of decay. Techniques for controlling the extent and severity of the alteration. Preventive and healing maintenance techniques. Ancient building materials. Non-destructive surface analysis techniques and spectroscopic techniques. Methods of identification, identification of limestone. Applications of thermal analysis methods. Design of maintenance interventions and control of their effectiveness in paintings, papyrus, fabrics and mortar-structural stones. Ancient mortars. Ancient quarry-mining. Study of cases of ancient monuments. Mineralogy and cultural heritage. Mineralogical and petrological geotopes, mineral paths - geoparks and

environmental problems. Application with GIS methods. Greek land exploitation proposals.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises of rock samples, using optical microscope, electron microscopy and XRD

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, video).

In the Communication with Students:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform (announcements, information, messages, notes, presentations, tasks).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	39
Practical exercises	15
literature	40
Exercises in field	20
Written essay	40
Preparation of students for evaluation	40
Total	194 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Student evaluation includes written essay on a subject suggested by the teachers in co-operation with the trainees and an oral exam with a presentation of the essay at power point. The final grade is the sum of the grade of the written essay and the score of the presentation. The weight will be 60% for the oral presentation and 40% for the written essay.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Building Stone Decay From Diagnosis to Conservation EDITED BYR. PI~IKRYL & B. J. SMITH, GSSP 271, 2007.
- Decay and Conservation of Building Stones on Cultural Heritage Monuments Vicen-te Rives,1,3,a and Jacinta García-Talegón, Materials Science Forum Vols. 514-516,2006.
- Decay and preservation of stone in modern environments, K. Lal Gauri, Springer, 1990 Building Stone Decay"
- Introduction to stone in historic buildings: characterization and performance J. Cas-sar, M. G. Winter, B. R. Marker, N. R. G. Walton, D. C. Entwisle, E. N. Bromhead and J. W. N. Smith Geological Society, London, Special Publications, 2014.
- Processes of Urban Stone Decay by B.J. Smith (Editor), P.A. Warke (Editor) Routledge, 1996.
- Structure and failure of natural bulding stone-Application in the Restoration of An-cient Monuments, Editor Stavros K. Koutkoulis, 2018.

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ΟΠΠ-E17 ELEMENTS OF ADVANCED GEOCHEMISTRY

Instructors: Ch. Stouraiti (chstouraiti@geol.uoa.gr); E. Kelepertzis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

TYPE: NA

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical exercises; 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites Geochemistry, Mineralogy, Igneous Petrology

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

NA

CONTENT:

NA

TEACHING METHODS:

NA

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbook:

- Misra K. (2012) Introduction to Geochemistry: principles and applications. Wiley- Blackwell)

Journals:

- Chemical Geology, Elsevier
- Applied Geochemistry, Elsevier
- Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, Elsevier

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OPHI-E18 OPHIOLITIC COMPLEXES: FROM GENESIS TO ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE

Instructors: A. Magganas (amagganas@geol.uoa.gr); P. Pomonis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specialist background, general knowledge skills and skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The course focuses on ophiolitic complexes and more specifically on providing knowledge related to their origin and evolution in the various geotectonic environments. It also deals with the methods of their exploitation. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- To recognize the types of ophiolitic complexes.
- Understand the processes of magma differentiation in the magma chambers.
- To know the different models of ophiolitic emplacement.
- To know the petrological and geochemical characteristics of MOR- and SSZ-type ophiolites.
- To have studied modern analogues and classical cases of ophiolitic complexes.
- To explain the occurrences of boninites and komatiites in ophiolitic sequences
- Be aware of the metasomatic and metamorphic processes occurring in the ophiolitic rocks.
- To know the Tethys ophiolites and the major ophiolitic complexes of the Greek territory and their significance.

General Skills:

The general competencies that students should have in mind are the following:

- Search, analyse and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Autonomous work.
- Teamwork.
- Problem solving ability.
- Decision-making.
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.
- Respect for the natural environment.

CONTENT:

Ophiolites (types, origin, evolution, emplacement). Theory of lithospheric plates and ophiolites. Description of petrogenic processes for the formation of a complete ophiolitic complex. Ore deposits in the ophiolitic rocks. Geochemical modeling for

the formation of ophiolites and definition of their geotectonic setting. Boninites, Komatiites and Ophiolite sequences. Metasomatic processes in ophiolitic rocks. Description of major ophiolitic occurrences. Low degree metamorphic processes in ophiolitic complexes. Tethys ophiolites. Ophiolitic complexes of Greek territory and their significance.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises using samples of minerals and rocks, optical microscopes, electron microscopy and X-ray diffractometry

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, video).

In the Communication with Students:

- Support for learning through the digital e-class platform (announcements, information, messages, notes, presentations, tasks).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	40
Practical exercises	12
Study visits	8
Study and analysis of literature	39
Writing essays	39
Preparation of students for evaluation	39
Total	177 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The student evaluation includes written weekly essays, which cover the modules of the course and oral examination with presentation of the work at PowerPoint in front of the teachers. The final grade is the sum of the grade of the written essays and the grade of the presentations. The weight will be 60% for the oral presentation and 40% for the written essay.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Ophiolites in Earth History (Dilek, Y. & Robinson, P.T., Geological Society of London, 2004)
- Ophiolite Genesis and Evolution of the Oceanic Lithosphere (Peters, T.J., Nicolas, A. & Coleman, R., Springer; 1991).
- Structures of Ophiolites and Dynamics of Oceanic Lithosphere (Nicolas, A, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1990).
- Mantle and Lower Crust Exposed in Oceanic Ridges and in Ophiolites (Vissers, RLM & Nicolas, A., Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1993).
- A Petrographic Atlas of Ophiolite: An example from the eastern India-Asia collision zone (Naresh Chandra Ghose, Nilanjan Chatterjee & Fareeduddin, Springer, 2016).
- The igneous rocks of Greece (Piper, D.J.W. & Pe-Piper, G., Borntraeger, 2002).

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ΟΠΠ-E19 BASIC PRINCIPLES OF GEO-MICROBIOLOGY WITH APPLICATIONS IN MINERAL RESOURCE EXPLORATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Instructors: S. Kiliass (kiliass@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

ΟΠΠ-E20 ENVIRONMENTAL MINERALOGY AND PETROLOGY – MEDICAL GEOLOGY

Instructors: A. Godelitsas (agodel@geol.uoa.gr); A. Magganas; P. Voudouris; I. Megremi; M. Stamatakis; I. Mitsis; H. Vasilatos.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

4.3. SPECIALIZATION: CLIMATIC VARIATIONS AND IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

4.3.1 LIST OF COURSES

1 st SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
KMP-Y01	GEOSYSTEMS	4	8
KMP-Y02	ENVIRONMENTAL STRATIGRAPHY AND APPLICATIONS	4	8
KMP-Y03	METHODS OF APPLIED RESEARCH IN GEOSCIENCES – METHODS OF ENVIRONMENTAL DATA ANALYSIS	4	7
KMP-Y04	ENVIRONMENTAL GEOMORPHOLOGICAL PROCESSES – BIOGEOCHEMICAL CYCLES	4	7
Total		16	30

2 nd SEMESTER			
Mandatory Courses		Hours per week	ECTS
KMP-Y05	GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS IN ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS	4	8
KMP-Y06	ENVIRONMENTAL SEDIMENTOLOGY	4	8
KMP-Y07	CLIMATE VARIABILITY (PALEOCLIMATE) AND CLIMATE CHANGE (ANTHROPOCENE)	4	7
KMP-Y08	QUATERNARY GEOENVIRONMENT-GEOARCHAEOLOGY	4	7
Total		16	30

3 rd SEMESTER			
Elective Courses (two of 8 ECTS/ one of 7 ECTS)		Hours per week	ECTS
KMP-E01	MARINE PALAEOECOLOGY	4	8
KMP-E02	PALAEOCEANOGRAPHIC AND PALAEOCLIMATIC INDICES	4	8
KMP-E03	PALAEONTOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY	4	7
KMP-E04	BIOSPHERE AND GEOENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS	4	7
KMP-E05	GEOHAZARDS AND SEDIMENTOLOGY	4	7
KMP-E06	APPLIED HYDROLOGY	4	8
KMP-E07	SUBMARINE GEOMORPHOLOGY – COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT	4	7
KMP-E08	REMOTE SENSING AND SATELLITE DATA APPLICATIONS	4	7
KMP-E09	APPLIED AND KARSTIC GEOMORPHOLOGY	4	8
KMP-E10	NATURAL HAZARDS AND HUMAN IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT	4	8
Total		16	30

4 th SEMESTER			
Postgraduate Dissertation			30
Total			30

4.3.2 OUTLINES

4.3.2.A. MANDATORY COURSES

KMΠ-Y01 GEOSYSTEMS

Instructors: S. Poulos (poulos@geol.uoa.gr); P. Nastos; K. Eleftheratos.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Background Knowledge, Skills Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisite courses, though the knowledge acquired from the successful attendance of the first semester courses is considered necessary:

KMΠ-Y03. Methods of applied research in geosciences - Methods of environmental data analysis

KMΠ-Y04. Environmental geomorphological processes - Biogeochemical cycles

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The aim of the course is to describe the main features of the four main systems (or spheres) that make up planet earth (the hydrosphere, the atmosphere, the lithosphere and the biosphere) and how they interact continuously and adapt to internal and external factors. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to understand and explain:

- the basic processes that determine the Hydrosphere, i.e. the oceans and fresh water (rivers, lakes and underground waters) and the cryosphere (where water is a solid, i.e. ice or snow, ice caps, glaciers and permanently frozen ground).
- The characteristics and composition of the Atmosphere and its individual units (troposphere, stratosphere, mesosphere and thermo-sphere). Conditioning of climatic conditions, as well as the wind regime
- The lithosphere is the term given to the rock and minerals which form Earth's outer crust and its tectonic plates. This is an important part of the Earth's system as these rocks become eroded and weathered to provide important minerals to the other Earth systems. At the outermost layer of the lithosphere, the 'pedosphere' (meaning soil sphere) exists at the interface between lithospheric, atmospheric, biospheric and hydrospheric processes.
- The biosphere, which refers to all types of life on Earth, including plants, animals and bacteria. Over the history of the Earth the biosphere has changed considerably with a great number of species evolving, adapting, and becoming extinct. It examines its diversity and its relation to the climate.

Skills

Students will be able to

- Recognize and discuss the factors of the four main and individual spheres of the earth system. Understanding lithosphere-ocean-atmosphere- biosphere interactions
- Communicate the history of the evolution of the earth in relation to the presence of man.

General Competencies: The general competencies that students should have upon completion are the following:

- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking
- Ability to apply knowledge to problem solving
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, by the use of the necessary technology
- Decision making
- Working independently
- Team work
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect of natural environment
- Promoting free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

Lectures

The content of the course is structured in the following thematic sections:

- Atmosphere (troposphere, stratosphere, mesosphere, thermosphere)
- Components of the global climate system, distribution of basic climatic elements, natural climatic variability in different space and time scales, atmosphere - ocean interaction, atmospheric oscillations (ENSO, MJO, NAO, etc.), coercive and feedback mechanisms
- Observed signals of climate change in the human-knot, climate change factors (natural and man-made)
- Basic principles of operation of climate models, climate change scenarios and climate simulations, uncertainties related to future projections of global climate change
- Hydrosphere (hydrological cycle) involving oceans? fresh water (rivers, lakes and groundwater) and the cryosphere (ice, ice caps, permanently frozen ground)
- Sea currents - Sea Waves, Tiller - Sea level
- Lithosphere (rocks, minerals)
- Lithosphere and tectonic plates (description, evolution)
- Basic geomorphological processes (lithosphere - atmosphere - hydrosphere)
- Soil, as a result of lithospheric, atmospheric, biospheric and hydrospheric processes
- Biosphere (animals and plants), species evolution and biosphere-climate relationship.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face to face (lectures and seminars)

- Use of PC, tablets, smartphones and specialized software
- Access to databases and scientific libraries
- Demonstration of method and techniques used in Climatology and Palaeoclimatology
- Possibility of distance learning (e-exercises) and communication (discussion areas, blogging, messages, etc.) via the electronic platform e-class of NKUA.

- Global Environmental Change, Elsevier

Additional Material: Lectures notes, lectures presentations, essay material on the e-class platform

WEB PAGE:

NA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, and video) and demonstration of methods of analysis, simulation and interpretation of data.

In the Communication with Students:

- Support of learning process through e-Class (communication, information, messages, documents, tasks, questionnaires, exercises, diaries, user groups, multimedia, links, rating, e-book, etc.) with 24/7 availability for communication, material distribution, queries.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	52 (13x4)
Fieldwork	20
Non-Guided Study (Required Repetition, Material Study, Preparation of intermediate essays)	50
Final essay writing	50
Total	172 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The evaluation process is in Greek (possibility of evaluation in English for Erasmus students), and includes:

- Examination through short essays / exercises during semester
- Final essay on a topic chosen by the students with teacher guidance

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Bibliography

- Raymond S. Bradley, Paleoclimatology-Reconstructing Climates of the Quaternary, 3rd ed, Wiley (2015)
- Roger G. Barry, Eileen A. Hall-McKim, Essentials of the Earth's Climate System, 1st ed, Cambridge University Press (2014)

Scientific journals:

- Kasting, J. F., & Crane, R. G. (2004). The Earth system. Prentice-Hall.
- Butz Stephen, 2007. Science of Earth Systems(2nd edition), Cengage Learning US, 720p.
- Jacobson Michael, Charlson Robert, Rodhe Henning Orians Gordon, 2000. Earth System Science. Biogeochemical Cycles to Global Changes Volume 72 1st edition).
- Ernst, W. G. (editor) 2000. Earth Systems, Processes and Issues Stanford University, California
- Climatic Change, Springer
- Nature Climate Change, Springer

KMII-Y02 ENVIRONMENTAL STRATIGRAPHY AND APPLICATIONS

Instructors: [M. Triantafyllou \(mtriant@geol.uoa.gr\)](mailto:mtriant@geol.uoa.gr); G. Anastasakis; Th. Tsourou; N. Tsaparas.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

KMII-Y03 METHODS OF APPLIED RESEARCH IN GEOSCIENCES – METHODS OF ENVIRONMENTAL DATA ANALYSIS

Instructors: [K. Eleftheratos \(kefef@geol.uoa.gr\)](mailto:kefef@geol.uoa.gr); E. Vassilakis; E. Stathopoulou; M. Dimiza.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Specialized background, general knowledge, skills development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisites, but basic knowledge on geo-environmental issues is required

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

Knowledge

- Statistical analysis, remote sensing, geographic information systems and sampling of geo-environmental data. Knowledge of how laboratory instruments function.

Skills

- Application of specialized software for the analysis of geo-environmental data (geographic information systems, software packages for photogrammetry, R-project programming language, statistical software, 2D and 3D graphs). Skills in the use of appropriate laboratory techniques for treatment and preparation of samples.
- Processing, analysis and display of geo-environmental data from international databases. Improved abilities of laboratory processes and safety procedures.

General Competencies:

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

Simple linear model, general linear model, multivariate analysis, time series analysis (homogeneity test, time series gaps filling, trends, normalization, periodicity), spatial and temporal analysis of atmospheric data.

The contribution of state of the art remote sensing techniques in environmental research, global position systems, high resolution relief representation techniques, applications of geographic information systems in physical and environmental geography.

Functions and applications of laboratory instruments. Laboratory techniques for treatment and preparation of samples, optical and Scanning Electron Microscope techniques.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face lectures
- Practical exercises using PC
- Field exercises

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- PowerPoint presentations, slide presentations
- Exercises using specialized software
- Field exercises
- Oral communication with students, Communication through the e-Class electronic platform

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	24 (4 h x 6 w.)
Laboratory exercises	16 (4 h x 4 w.)
Field exercises	8 (4 h x 2 w.)
Project and paper writing	127 h
Preparation for exams	7 h
Total	175 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- Evaluation in the Greek language
- Written work
- Multiple choice tests
- Short answer questions
- Oral examinations

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Printed notes
- Electronic sources from teachers

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL458>

KMII-Y04 ENVIRONMENTAL GEOMORPHOLOGICAL PROCESSES – BIOGEOCHEMICAL CYCLES

Instructors: P. Nomikou (evinom@geol.uoa.gr); M. Chatzaki; M. Triantafyllou

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 1st

TYPE: Specialized background

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The current course focuses on the understanding of the fundamental atmospheric and physical processes of the geoenvironment as well as of the repetitive bidirectional 'cyclic' processes of vital elements such as C, N, P, O and S among the abiotic environments (i.e., atmosphere, hydrosphere and lithosphere) and biosphere. Upon successful completion of the course, the students will be able:

- To understand the processes associated with extreme weather and climate phenomena (such as floods, droughts, sea level rise) as well as their devastating effects on the natural and social environment
- To study the recent geomorphological evolution of the terrestrial and submarine relief and understand its alteration due to the anthropogenic interventions and physical processes
- To understand the need for the preservation of the balance in the Biogeochemical Cycles in order the proper functioning and sustainability of the ecosystems on Earth to be accomplished and realize the magnitude of the human impact on the disruption of these Cycles
- To identify the scientific gaps and choose the appropriate methodology for the interpretation and management of complex environmental problems

General Skills: The skills that students can acquire during the present course are:

- Research potential and ability to process, analyze and integrate scientific data using the available technology tools
- Decision-making ability
- Ability to complete a scientific task in an autonomous way
- Ability to promote effective teamwork
- Ability to emerge new scientific challenges
- Ability to promote free, creative and inductive thought

CONTENT:

A. Theoretical Knowledge

The course presentations include the following scientific topics:

- Energy distribution in the earth-atmosphere system and interactions of radiation with matter, with emphasis on the role of the atmosphere through its variability.
- Atmospheric processes in different space and time scales. Atmospheric oscillations of large-scale (e.g. NAO, ENSO, etc.) and their interaction with land and sea.
- Physical Processes (Terrestrial - Atmospheric - Marine) in different environments
- Analysis of the origin and evolution of major landforms and coastal features created by the physical, chemical or biological processes operating at or near the Earth's surface (synthesis, conclusions)
- Assessment of Geological Hazards induced by natural processes and/or human interventions and ways of facing their consequences
- Mechanisms of the Carbon, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Oxygen and Sulfur cycles. Introduction to the concepts of Reservoir and Biological Pump
- Marine Biochemistry: Analysis of the structure of the main organic compounds in the marine environment - Description of the origin of the marine organic matter and analysis of the physical and chemical processes that govern its transport, deposition and maintenance/degradation on the seabed
- Analysis of the basic anthropogenic effects on the smooth operation of the Biogeochemical Cycles. Predictions for the future evolution of the Biogeochemical Cycles and description of the adverse impacts on humans as well as on the rest of the living beings due to the continuous disruption of their balance

B. Practical Exercises – Laboratory work

Part A: Factors of the earth-atmosphere energy balance. Atmospheric processes and their interactions with land and sea

Part B: Identification of landforms and coastal landscapes, classification and processing of topographic data. Environmental risk assessment

Part C: Understanding of the quantitative and qualitative information derived from the bio-chemical reactions - Stoichiometry, chemical equilibrium, calculation of the theoretically or biochemically required oxygen during the oxidation processes concerning a variety of compounds

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face teaching
- Multiple-choice comprehension test
- Laboratory exercises through training with specialized software

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- Application of information technology during teaching
- Support of the learning process with the electronic platform e-class
- Electronic communication with students

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and exercises of data processing with PC's	32 (4 h x 6 w.)
Laboratory practice	16 (4 h x 4 w.)
Homework / Literature review	68 h

Project / Practical exercises	80 h
Total	196 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Language of evaluation: Greek (English for the Erasmus students)

- Written essay on a subject selected from a list of available topics / Oral presentation of the topic (**65%**)
- Short individual practical exercises including the application of various methodologies for the solution of relevant problems (**35%**)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Embleton C., Embleton-Hamann C. (1997). Developments in Earth Science Processes 5: Geomorphological Hazards of Europe. Elsevier, Amsterdam.
- Huggett R.J. (2007). Fundamentals of Geomorphology, Second Edition. Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, New York.
- United States Department of Energy (2008). Carbon Cycling and Biosequestration: Integrating Biology and Climate through Systems Science. Report DOE/SC 108, Office of Science.
- Libes S. (2009). Introduction to Marine Biochemistry, Second Edition. Elsevier, Amsterdam.
<https://booksite.elsevier.com/9780120885305/>
- Davidson-Amott R. (2010). An Introduction to Coastal Processes and Geomorphology. Cambridge University Press, New York.
- R. G. Barry, E. A. Hall-McKim (2014). Essentials of the Earth's Climate System, 1st ed., Cambridge University Press.

Journals:

- Journal of Earth System Science, Springer
- Climate Dynamics, Springer
- Climate and Atmospheric Science, npj
- Geomorphology
- Progress in Physical Geography: Earth and Environment
- Geosciences
- Global Biogeochemical Cycles
- Biogeochemistry
- Organic Geochemistry

Additional Material: Additional bibliographical sources are available via this course webpage (e-class)

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL465>

KMII-Y05 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS IN ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

Instructors: N. Evelpidou (evelpidou@geol.uoa.gr); V. Antoniou; H. Skilodimou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specialized background, specialization of general knowledge, skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

Lectures, Practical exercises

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek (Ε.Φ. ³ English)

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This course aims to a better understanding of Geographic Information Systems and its basic principles, remote sensing data and geographical data processing as these are necessary tools for geosciences. The students will become familiar with Geographic Information Systems in a theoretical and practical level, through the use of suitable software

General Skills:

- Search, analysis and composition of data and information by using the necessary technologies
- Theoretical thinking and ability to turn theory into practice
- Problem solving ability through application of knowledge
- Independent work
- Team work
- Work in interdisciplinary environment
- Respect of the natural environment
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

Introduction to digital cartography, G.I.S. Theory, Introduction to ArcGIS, GIS operation method, Geo-reference, Digitization, Management of Geographical and Descriptive Information, Import Data: Vector and Raster, Data Analysis, Thematic Cartography, Map Composition, Digital Elevation Models, GIS applications in Geosciences, Modelling erosion, flood risk and coastal erosion.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Lectures in person
- Practical exercises using computers.

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, videos). Specialized GIS software

Ε.Φ.: Επισκέπτες Φοιτητές (π.χ. ERASMUS)

In the Communication with Students:

- Support of learning process through e-class (announcements, information, messages, essays, questionnaires, exercises, calendar, user groups, links, marks, e-book, etc.).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	13
Laboratory exercises	39
Unsupervised study	60
Preparation semester assignment	88
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Evaluation Language: Greek (English for Erasmus students).

- Performance during lectures **50%** (laboratory exercises and teaching)
- Project in the end of semester **50%** (oral presentation)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks:

- Evelpidou, N., Antoniou, V., 2015. Geographic Information Systems [ebook]. Hellenic Academic Libraries Link, Athens. Available Online at: <http://hdl.handle.net/11419/1044>
- Vaipoulos D., Vasilopoulos A. Evelpidou N., 2008. GIS from theory to practice. Symmetria, Athens.
- Koutsopoulos K., Evelpidou N., Vasilopoulos A., 2006. Geographical Information Systems by using MapInfo professional. Papatiriu, Athens

Journals:

- GIS and Remote Sensing Journal
- Journal of Geographic Information System
- Transactions in GIS
- International Journal of Advanced Remote Sensing and GIS

Additional bibliographic sources and lecture contents are available to students who are participating in this lesson through the respective e-class website.

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL304>

KMII-Y06 ENVIRONMENTAL SEDIMENTOLOGY

Instructors: G. Anastasakis (anastasakis@geol.uoa.gr); H. Drinia; G. Kontakiotis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: None

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The content of this course provides graduate students with a working knowledge of environmental sedimentology: main concepts, issues and methods of the sedimentary systems and environmental changes due to anthropogenic activities. Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Fully explain the fundamental concepts of environmental sedimentology
- Carry out studies in the sedimentary environments and to identify the present day environmental changes due to anthropogenic activities.
- Develop critical and creative thinking and communication skills
- Solve problems related to sedimentological research in all environments
- Produce, analyse and compare data with the use of reliable and applied technologies
- Wonder, arise questions and make decisions on the right management of problems deriving in urban sedimentary environments

General Competencies:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to convert theory into practice
- Ability to solve problems
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

- Introduction on the impact of present day environmental change due to anthropogenic activities including modification of sedimentary systems. Response of ever evolving sedimentary systems to sediment budgets and pollution.

Change and vulnerability of sedimentary environments due to climatic and direct anthropogenic impact to:

- Continental settings
- Coastal settings
- Open sea settings
- Synthetic exercise (3 weeks)
- Synthetic exercise presentation

TEACHING METHODS:

- NA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- NA

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	50 h
Practical Exercises	50 h
Assignments	50 h
Preparations for Examinations	50 h
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- 1. C. Perry and K. Taylor (eds), 2007. Environmental Sedimentology. Blackwell, 428pp; ISBN-13, 978-1-4051-1515-5.
- 2. Reading, H.G. (1996). Sedimentary Environments Processes, Facies and Stratigraphy, 3rd Edition, Blackwell-Oxford, 704pp; ISBN 978-0-632-03627-1.

WEB PAGE: NA

KMΠ-Y07 CLIMATE VARIABILITY (PALEOCLIMATE) AND CLIMATE CHANGE (ANTHROPOCENE)

Instructors: M. Hatzaki (marhat@geol.uoa.gr); P. Nastos; M. Triantafyllou; A. Kouli.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Special Background, Specialised General Knowledge, Skills Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

3 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisite courses, although knowledge acquired from successful attendance of the 1st semester courses is considered necessary: (KMΠ-Y01, KMΠ-Y02, KMΠ-Y03 and KMΠ-Y04)

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The aim of the course is to give an understanding of the processes that determine and change the Earth's climate system at different spatial and temporal scales by studying climate variability at different geological times and climate changes during the anthropocene. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to understand and explain:

- the key processes that determine the climate system of the earth and the main natural mechanisms of climatic variability
- how and why the earth's climate has changed in geological time
- the methods that identify the paleoclimate, to project their use and to describe their limitations
- the natural and anthropogenic mechanisms of global climate change
- the uncertainties associated with the future projections of global climate change
- the current scientific knowledge related to adaptation and mitigation strategies for climate change impacts

Skills

Students will be able to

- Identify and discuss global and regional climate factors, including the carbon cycle, tectonic changes, solar radiation, ocean-atmosphere interactions, anthropogenic influences
- analyse paleoclimatic data, climatic data and climate simulation data to draw conclusions about the past, present and future climate

And generally:

- Communicate the climate history and the human role in the climate system and critically evaluate scientific information.

General Competencies:

- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking
- Ability to apply knowledge to problem solving

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, by the use of the necessary technology
- Decision making
- Working independently
- Team work
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect of natural environment
- Promoting free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

The content of the course is structured in the following thematic sections:

- Components of the global climate system, distribution of basic climate data, natural climate variability in different space and time scales, atmospheric-ocean interaction, atmospheric oscillations (ENSO, MJO, NAO etc.), forcing and feedback mechanisms
- Greenhouse phenomena in paleo-ocean, the Paleocene–Eocene Thermal Maximum (PETM), the Mid- Miocene Climatic Optimum (MMCO) and the mid-Pliocene Warm Period (mPWP)
- Glacial periods of the Upper Cenozoic, sea level changes
- Isotopic archive and Milankovich circles, Dansgaard circles, Heinrich events
- Paleoclimate reconstruction methods with the use of palaeobiological data
- Observed signals of climate change in the anthropocene, factors of climate change (natural and anthropogenic)
- Basic principles of climate models, climate change scenarios and climate simulations, uncertainties related to future projections of global climate change
- Impact of climate change on the environment, human activities and health, adaptation strategies and mitigation of climate change impacts, sustainable development.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face to face (lectures and seminars)
- Use of PC, tablets, smartphones and specialized software
- Access to databases and scientific libraries
- Demonstration of method and techniques used in Climatology and Palaeoclimatology
- Possibility of distance learning (e-exercises) and communication (discussion areas, blogging, messages, etc.) via the e-class platform of NKUA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, and video) and demonstration of methods of analysis, simulation and interpretation of data.

In the Communication with Students:

- Support of learning process through e-Class (communication, information, messages, documents, tasks, questionnaires, exercises, diaries, user groups, multimedia, links, rating, e-book, etc.) with 24/7 availability for communication, material distribution, queries.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
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Lectures	52 (13w x 4h)
Homework	39 (13w x 3h)
Non-Guided Study (Required Repetition, Material Study, Preparation of intermediate essays)	42h
Final examination	42h
Total	175 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The evaluation process is in Greek (possibility of evaluation in English for Erasmus students), and includes:

- Examination through short essays / exercises during semester
- Final essay on a topic chosen by the students with teacher guidance

The course evaluation criteria are described in the Student Handbook and auxiliary material (questions, exercises, etc.) for the essays are posted on the e-class platform.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks:

- Raymond S. Bradley, Paleoclimatology-Reconstructing Climates of the Quaternary, 3rd ed., Wiley (2015)
- Roger G. Barry, Eileen A. Hall-McKim, Essentials of the Earth's Climate System, 1st ed, Cambridge University Press (2014)

Journals:

- Climate of the Past, EGU
- Climatic Change, Springer
- Natural Hazards and Earth System Science, EGU
- Nature Climate Change, Springer
- Global Environmental Change, Elsevier

Additional Teaching Material: Lectures notes, lectures presentations, essay material on the e-class platform

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL459>

KMII-Y08 QUATERNARY GEOENVIRONMENT- GEOARCHAEOLOGY

Instructors: A. Kouli (akouli@geol.uoa.gr); E. Stathopoulou; N. Evelpidou; P. Nomikou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 2nd

TYPE: Specialized background

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This course focuses on the understanding of the dynamics of Quaternary Geoenvironments and their intertemporal interaction with human societies. Special emphasis is given to the study and comprehension of the physical and human processes that have formed and altered the image of our planet, the Historical Landscape. Various methodologies and case studies are presented, based on data from areas in Greece and the Eastern Mediterranean, in order to develop the student's critical ability and the scientifically documented approach to Geoarchaeological problems.

Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be capable of:

- Recognizing the scientific question and selecting the appropriate methodology
- Applying the appropriate sampling techniques or field data collection methods, in order to address specific interdisciplinary questions
- Applying the appropriate methodology by combining knowledge from the whole spectrum of the Geosciences in order to fully approach the specific question
- Processing, evaluating and synthesizing geoenvironmental data, by assessing and combining their results, in order to answer geoarchaeological questions.

General Competencies:

- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information, through the necessary technology
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Team work
- Production of new scientific ideas
- Respect towards the natural environment
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thought

CONTENT:

A. Lectures

The course presentations include the following thematic topics:

- Man and the geoenvironment, Geoarchaeology, basic principles of Archaeology

- Dating methods in environments of archaeological interest: archaeological time, absolute dating, and age models.
- Methodologies of sampling and analysis, the palaeoenvironment of sites of Archaeological interest
- Contribution of the study of fossils (microfossils, osteological material, plant remains, pollen, palynomorphs) in archaeological research and the interpretation of Quaternary palaeoenvironments
- Historical Landscape, interaction of human societies/environment, effects of climatic variations on human societies, study of the selection of land use by human societies of the past.
- Quaternary sea level changes, Holocene transgression, sea level indicators, notches, beachrocks
- Palaeogeography and Palaeoenvironment: methods, reconstruction, evolution. Case studies.
- Mapping of the coastal zone using high resolution multibeam systems
- 3D morphology of the coastal zone using ROV: case studies.

B. Exercises and laboratory work

Part A: Processing of palaeobiological data through appropriate methodologies in order to address geoarchaeological questions.

Part B: Processing and interpretation of sea level proxy data, processing of bathymetric data and creation of photomosaic

TEACHING METHODS:

- teaching face to face
- practical exercises in the lab
- laboratory practice with the use of microscopes, Pc's and specialized software

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- Use of informatics technologies in teaching
- Support of learning process through the electronic platform e-class
- Electronic communication with students

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures and data processing exercises with PC's.	32(4h×8w)
Laboratorial practice	16(4h×4w)
Homework/bibliographic research	68
Project/Practical exercise	80
Total	196 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Language of evaluation: Greek (English for Erasmus students)

- Written essay on subject chosen from list of topics/oral examination of subject (65%)
- Short individual practice exercises that include the application of methodologies for the solution of relevant problems (35%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbooks:

- Καρκάνας Π., 2010. Εισαγωγή στη γεωαρχαιολογία. Εκδ. Νεφέλη
- Karkanis P., Goldberg P., 2018. Reconstructing Archaeological Sites: Understanding the Geoarchaeological Matrix, Wiley-Blackwell
- Renfrew C. & Bahn P., 2001. Αρχαιολογία: Θεωρίες, μεθοδολογία και πρακτικές εφαρμογές. (μτφρ. Ι. Καραλή-Γιαννακοπούλου) Εκδ. Καρδαμίτσα
- Shennan, I., Long, A. J., Horton, B. P. (Eds.), 2015. Handbook of sea-level research, John Wiley & Sons

Journals:

- Quaternary International, Elsevier
- Journal of Quaternary Science, Wiley
- Quaternary Research, Elsevier
- Quaternary Science Reviews, Elsevier
- Geoarchaeology, Wiley Science of the Total Environment, Elsevier
- Journal of Archaeological Science, Elsevier

Additional bibliographical sources are available to students attending the specific course through the course webpage in E-class.

WEB PAGE:

<http://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL450>

4.3.2.B. ELECTIVE COURSES

KMII-E01 MARINE PALAEOECOLOGY

Instructors: H. Drinia (cntrinia@geol.uoa.gr); E. Koskeridou; Th. Tsourou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: NA

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: None

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The content of this course provides graduate students with a working knowledge of marine paleoecology: main concepts and issues and Methods of paleoecological analysis of the marine ecosystem. Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Fully understand the fundamental concepts of paleoecology
- To acquire a practical knowledge of how to carry out paleoecological studies in the marine ecosystem and to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the paleoecological data
- Develop critical thinking and communication skills
- Solve problems related to palaeoecological research in marine environments
- Understand the relationship between micro- and macro-fossils and paleo-environmental parameters
- Understand the use of other proxies (Milankovitch variables, trace element analysis, sediment analysis, etc.) in relation to the faunal pattern and the reconstruction of the history of past marine environments
- Understand the relationships between climate variations and the development of paleo- ecosystems

General Competencies:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to convert theory into practice
- Ability to apply knowledge to solve problems
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

- Introduction - Basic concepts and principles of paleoecology – the marine eco-system - use of micro-fossils in the interpretation of paleoenvironments
- Qualitative and quantitative analysis of fossil assemblages: diversity indices, individual ecology, etc
- Microfossils as indicators of physico-chemical parameters and paleodepth of paleo environments: Quantitative and qualitative methods
- Invertebrate paleoecology: quantitative and qualitative methods
- Deep Sea Environments
- Shelf environments
- Marginal environments
- Synthetic exercise (3 weeks)
- Synthetic exercise presentation

TEACHING METHODS:

- NA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- NA

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	40 h
Practical Exercises	40 h
Assignments	40 h
Preparations for Examinations	80 h
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Ζαμπετάκη Λέκκα, Α., Αντωνάρακου, Α., Ντρίνια, Χ., Τσουρού, Θ., Di Stefano, A., Baldassini, N., 2015. Η μικροπαλαιοντολογία και οι εφαρμογές της. [ηλεκτρ. βιβλ.] Αθήνα:Σύνδεσμος Ελληνικών Ακαδημαϊκών Βιβλιοθηκών. Available in <http://hdl.handle.net/11419/3435>
- Δερμιτζάκης, Μ.Δ., Γεωργιάδου- Δικοπούλια, Ε., 1985, Εισαγωγή στη θαλάσσια Μικροπαλαιοντολογία. σελ. 720, Εκδόσεις Επτάλοφος, Αθήνα.
- Murray, J., 2006. Ecology and Applications of Benthic Foraminifera. Cambridge University Press, p. 426.
- Boudagher-Fadel, M.K., 2008. Evolution and geological significance of larger benthic foraminifera. Elsevier B.V., p. 540.

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KMI-E02 {PALEO-OCEANOGRAPHIC AND PALEO-CLIMATIC INDICES}

Instructors: A. Antonarakou (aantonar@geol.uoa.gr); M. Triantafyllou; G. Kontakiotis.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS:

The content of this course provides graduate students with a working knowledge of marine paleoecology: main concepts and issues and Methods of paleoecological analysis of the marine ecosystem.

Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Fully understand the fundamental concepts of paleo-ecology
- To acquire a practical knowledge of how to carry out paleo-logical studies in the marine ecosystem and to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the paleo-ecological data
- Develop critical thinking and communication skills
- Solve problems related to palaeo-ecological research in marine environments
- Understand the relationship between micro- and macro-fossils and palaeo--environmental parameters
- Understand the use of other proxies (Milankovitch variables, trace element analysis, sediment analysis, etc.) in relation to the faunal pattern and the reconstruction of the history of past marine environments
- Understand the relationships between climate variations and the development of paleo- ecosystems

General Competencies:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to convert theory into practice
- Ability to apply knowledge to solve problems
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

Major climatic events in the geological time scale and modern climatic changes. Paleo-climatic Methods: marine and terrestrial environment. Indices: Lithology, sediment content, fauna, flora, stable isotopes, trace elements, biogeochemical indices. Greenhouse effect and its influence in paleo-oceanography, periods of stratified-increased productivity in global ocean, carbon fluxes in the sediments, acidification, primary productivity and biomineralization. Paleo-climatic models.

Syllabus:

- Introduction - Basic concepts and principles of paleoceanography and paleoclimatology – the marine eco-system – use of micro-fossils in the interpretation of paleo-environments
- Qualitative and quantitative analysis of fossil assemblages as paleo-climatic indices
- Microfossils as indicators of physico-chemical parameters of the water column: Quantitative and qualitative methods
- Stable isotopes and trace elements
- Biogeochemical indices
- Greenhouse effect and acidification
- Paleo-climatic models
- Approaches for determining the paleo-thermometry, salinity, stratification and productivity of the water column

KMI-E03 PALEONTOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY

Instructors: E. Koskeridou (ekosker@geol.uoa.gr); S. Rousiakis; G. Lyras.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS:

The content of this course provides graduate students with a working knowledge of paleontology and biodiversity: main concepts, issues and Methods of paleontological analysis of bio-communities and the dependence of biodiversity on environmental factors. Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Fully understand the fundamental concepts of palaeontology and biodiversity
- Develop critical thinking and communication skills
- Understand the relation between the global ecosystem, bio and lithospheres and the effect of terrestrial and extraterrestrial phenomena on macroevolution.
- Extinctions and adaptations due to paleoenvironmental changes.
- Understand the basic identification and description principles of important macrofossil group assemblages and the relationship between taxonomy and ecological variation.
- Interpret the constitution of macrofossil assemblages and their significance in geology.
- Fully understand their use as geological facies markers and as proxies for palaeoenvironmental and palaeoclimatic changes.
- Collect, combine and evaluate the relevant literature, especially on Mediterranean and greek area studies.

General Competencies:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to convert theory into practice
- Ability to apply knowledge to solve problems
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

- Introduction to biotic diversity.
- Phylogenetic and non-phylogenetic methods in the study of macro-evolutionary patterns.
- Micro and macro-evolutionary processes during climatic change. Geography and climate as determinants of biotic diversity and abundance.
- Geographic patterns in lineages and faunas.
- Island biogeography and environment.

- Ecomorphology and extinct organisms.
- Changes in biodiversity during environmental changes.
- Speciation and extinction during the Holocene and Anthropocene.

TEACHING METHODS:

- NA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- NA

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	40 h
Practical Exercises	30 h
Assignments	25 h
Preparations for Examinations	80 h
Total	175 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- NA

KMΠ-E04 BIOSPHERE AND GEOENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

Instructors: M. Dimiza; (mdimiza@geol.uoa.gr); A. Kouli; Th. Tsourou

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Skills Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, practical exercises, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

Knowledge

- Acquisition of basic Knowledge and understanding the role of biosphere in the relationship between the geosphere, atmosphere, and hydrosphere
- analysing the biological content of past and modern geoenvironments, and its environmental applications

Skills

- skills to analyse data on biological content and apply them as a tool for solving environmental issues
- skills to use biosphere information to address questions of global climate change

Competencies

- Improved abilities of scientific research, analytical and critical thinking and oral communication and writing
- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information with the use of necessary technologies
- Autonomous work
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment

CONTENT:

- Biogeochemical indicators and microfossils
- Primary productivity and the global carbon cycle, stable isotopes and paleoceanographic applications
- Marine microfauna as bioindicators for environmental monitoring
- Floral archives and global environmental changes, mass extinctions
- Vegetation response to Quaternary climatic changes, permanent populations and refuges in the Mediterranean

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face-to-face Lectures

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- PowerPoint presentations.

In the Communication with Students:

- Communication via e-mail

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures of the instructor, practical work and oral presentations of the students	52 h
Independent study	90 h
Writing of the research paper	30 h
Final written examination	3 h
Total	175 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Language of evaluation: Greek (English for Erasmus students)

- Class participation (10%)
- Oral presentation in class (20%)
- Written assignment with a deadline for handing –in report 4 weeks after completion of the course (30%)
- Final written examination (40%)

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Προτεινόμενη Βιβλιογραφία:

- Electronic sources and peer reviewed papers are provided throughout the course.

WEB PAGE:

NA

KMI-E05 GEOHAZARDS AND SEDIMENTATION

Instructors: G. Anastasakis (anastasakis@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: None

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The content of this course provides graduate students with a working knowledge of geohazard risk in present day active sedimentation environments. Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Fully understand the complete range of geohazard risks that are developing in the complete range of sedimentary environments, during the transport and deposition of sediments, especially during extreme events
- Pending on the position of the infrastructure and social development sites, as related to active sediment movement paths and potential deposition areas, the geohazard risks will be identified and classified
- Understand the relations between climate variations and sedimentation geohazards especially during extreme events
- Develop critical thinking and communication skills

General Competencies:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to convert theory into practice
- Ability to apply knowledge to solve problems
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

- Introduction - Basic concepts and principles of sediment movement on the Earth's surface
 - o Geohazards developing during sedimentation in:
 - o Glacial
 - o Alluvial-lake-riverine-deltaic-fan
 - o Coastal
 - o Marine
 - o Volcanic environments
- Sedimentary gravity flows on the continents and under the sea. Association to geohazards.
- Gravity waves, sedimentation and geohazards
- Synthetic exercise (3 weeks)
- Synthetic exercise presentation

TEACHING METHODS:

- NA

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

- NA

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD:

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	50 h
Practical Exercises	50 h
Assignments	50 h
Preparations for Examinations	50 h
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

- NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- C. Perry and K. Taylor (eds), 2007. Environmental Sedimentology. Blackwell, 428pp; ISBN-13, 978-1-4051-1515-5.
- Reading, H.G. (1996). Sedimentary Environments Processes, Facies and Stratigraphy, 3rd Edition, Blackwell-Oxford, 704pp; ISBN 978-0-632-03627-1.

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NA

KMII-E06 APPLIED HYDROLOGY

Instructors: H. Skilodimou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE.

**KMII-E07 SUBMARINE GEOMORPHOLOGY –
COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT**

Instructors: P. Nomikou; S. Poulos; H. Angelopoulos.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

CONTENT:

NOT AVAILABLE

KMII-E08 REMOTE SENSING AND SATELLITE DATA APPLICATIONS

Instructors: E. Vassilakis (evasilak@geol.uoa.gr)

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3RD

TYPE: NA

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 7 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: NA

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

NA

CONTENT:

Physical background of remote sensing (electromagnetic spectrum and its interaction with matter, atmospheric scattering and absorption of electromagnetic energy) – Aerial photography-Photogrammetry – Ortho-reference techniques with ground control points – Triangulation algorithms – Error correction – Mosaics A/P – Satellite imagery of high spatial and spectral resolution – Histogram, statistics – Channel combination – Channel ratios – Classification techniques – Process modelling – Atmospheric correction

TEACHING METHODS:

NA

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	24 (4 h x 6 w)
Practical Exercises	24 (4 h x 6 w.)
Total	100 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

NA

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Principles of Remote Sensing, 2004, ITC

WEB PAGE:

NA

KMII-E09 APPLIED & KARSTIC GEOMORPHOLOGY

Instructors: N. Evelpidou (evelpidou@geol.uoa.gr); H. Skilodimou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Specialized background, skill development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: NO

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

This course is focused in the applications of Geomorphology and particularly in topics related to the changes of the geomorphological environment due to human interventions. It aims to a better understanding of the changes in the geomorphology due to natural and human activities. The course deals with the estimation and management of natural disasters such as floods, landslides, coastal and runoff erosion, as well as changes in sea level. Additionally it deals with subjects of karstic geomorphology, with particular focus to the methods of basic and applied karst research. When students finish this course, they will be able to:

- Understand the methods of analysing and managing natural hazards such as floods, landslides, erosion.
- Understand sea level changes.
- Understand, distinguish and interpret the impacts of urbanisation and human intervention to the changes of the geomorphological environment, changes in relief and their impacts on triggering natural disasters such as floods, landslides, subsidence, erosion etc.
- Calculate physical parameters for the design of geotechnical projects as torrent management, dams, roads, dwellings.
- Apply methods of applied geomorphology for the design of geotechnical projects and the estimation of geomorphological hazards.
- Collect and analyse relevant bibliography as well as applying and composing studies in Greece and in international level.
- Explain, collect, compare and evaluate data in order to solve problems, such as geological setting of urban areas, management of surface waters, estimation of natural hazards (floods, landslides, subsidence, erosion), the development and management of urban areas.
- Understanding karstic processes through the karstic landforms
- Apply methods of basic and applied karstic research

General Skills:

- Theoretical thinking and ability to turn theory into practice
- Problem solving ability through application of knowledge
- Search, analysis and composition of data and information by using the necessary technologies
- Decision making

- Independent work
- Team work
- Work in interdisciplinary environment
- Respect of the natural environment
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

Changes in the geomorphological environment – human intervention. Estimation and management of natural hazards (floods, landslides, subsidence, coastal and soil erosion). Sea level changes. Urbanization and human intervention- impacts on geomorphological environment, relief changes and the impacts on natural hazards such as floods, landslides, erosion, etc. Physical parameters for the design of technical projects such as torrent management, dams, roads, dwellings. Methods of applied geomorphology for the development of technical projects and the estimation of natural hazards. Management of surface waters. Technical and environmental topics of urban areas, such as the geo-logical setting of urban areas, management of surface water, development, design and management of urban areas. Karstic processes, Karstic landforms, Methods of basic and applied Karstic research.

TEACHING METHODS:

- Lectures in person (Class and practice exercises)
- Practical exercises using maps, bibliography and questionnaires)

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In Lecturing:

- Presentations through multimedia content(images, animation, videos). Recorded classes and field exercises in the e-class.

In the Communication with Students:

- Support of learning procedure through e-class and e-platform open courses (announcements, information, messages, essays, questionnaires, exercises, calendar, group users, links, marks, e-book, etc.).

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	26 h
Laboratory exercises	26 h
Non-surveyed study	64 h
Project preparation	84 h
Total	200 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

Language of student performance evaluation: Greek (English for the Erasmus students).

I. CLASSES-LECTURES (50%)

- Presenting subject that has been chosen from a respective subjects list

II. LABORATORY EXERCISES (50%)

- E-class, individual essays that will have the solutions of the laboratory exercise.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

- Lecture notes available through the e-class

Related scientific journals:

- Geomorphology
- Applied Geomorphology

WEB PAGE:

NA

KMΠ-E10 NATURAL HAZARDS AND HUMAN IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Instructors: P. Nastos (nastos@geol.uoa.gr); N. Evelpidou; P. Nomikou.

LEVEL/ SEMESTER: 7 / 3rd

TYPE: Special Background, Specialised General Knowledge, Skills Development

LECTURES AND PRACTICAL EXERCISES

4 hours of lecturing per week, 8 ECTS credits.

Prerequisites: There are no formal prerequisite courses, although the knowledge acquired from successful attendance of the 1st and 2nd semester courses KMΠ-Y01, KMΠ-Y03, KMΠ-Y04 and KMΠ-Y07 is considered useful.

Language: Greek

Course offered to Erasmus+ students: YES in English

LEARNING ATTAINMENTS

The aim of the course is to understand the spatio-temporal variability of natural disasters and the anthropogenic interventions on the environment that contribute to the development and intensification of natural hazards and maximize the risk of phenomena.

Knowledge:

Upon successful completion of the course the students will be able to understand and explain:

- Extreme weather and climatic phenomena (tornadoes, storms, heat waves, cold waves, frost and snow, droughts), river floods, sudden urban floods
- Landslide Risk Assessment / Sedimentation Risk Assessment / Scree Flows / Scree Flow Risk and Soil Vulnerability / Land Movements
- Erosion risk, flood risk assessment, fires, coastal erosion (vulnerability indicators)
- Land use planning in relation to natural hazards and
- Current scientific knowledge related to the natural hazards by natural and man-made causes.

Skills: Students will be able to

- Identify and discuss the natural and man-made causes that affect natural hazards
- Assess the risk of floods, erosion, fires and other hydrometeorological phenomena; and
- Understand the new techniques and methodologies for mitigating natural hazards and adaptation measures on climate change that enhance natural hazards

General Competencies:

- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking
- Ability to apply knowledge to problem solving
- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, by the use of the necessary technology
- Decision making
- Working independently

- Team work
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Respect of natural environment
- Promoting free, creative and inductive thinking

CONTENT:

The content of the course is structured in the following thematic sections:

- Extreme meteorological and climatic phenomena (tornadoes, storms, heat waves, cold waves, frost and snow, drought). Spatiotemporal variation, causes and impacts
- Flash urban floods and river floods (causes and effects)
- Climate change and extreme hydrometeorological phenomena
- Landslides, sedimentation, earth movements, soil vulnerability, fires, coastal erosion. Causes, physical processes and vulnerability indicators
- Risk of erosion, flood and use planning in relation to natural hazards, and
- Impact of natural hazards on the built environment and ecosystems
- Adaptation and methods for mitigating the effects of natural hazards

TEACHING METHODS:

- Face to face (lectures and seminars)
- Use of PC, tablets, smartphones and specialized software
- Access to databases and scientific libraries
- Demonstration of method and techniques used in Meteorology, Climatology and Hydrology
- Possibility of distance learning (e-exercises) and communication (discussion areas, blogging, messages, etc.) via the electronic platform e-class o NKUA:
<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL467>

MULTI-MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

In lecturing:

- Presentations with multimedia content (images, animation, and video) and demonstration of methods of analysis, simulation and interpretation of data.

For communication with the students:

- Support of learning process through e-Class (communication, information, messages, documents, tasks, questionnaires, exercises, diaries, user groups, multimedia, links, rating, e-book, etc.) with 24/7 availability for communication, material distribution, queries.

BREAKDOWN OF WORKLOAD

Activity	Workload/Semester
Lectures	52 (13w x4h)
Laboratory practice	30 h
Fieldwork	20 h
Non-Guided Study, Preparation of essays etc.	35 h
Final essay writing	40 h
Total	177 hours

STUDENT EVALUATION/GRADING

The evaluation process is in Greek (possibility of evaluation in English for Erasmus students), and includes:

- Examination through short essays / exercises during semester
- Final essay on a topic chosen by the students with teacher guidance

The course evaluation criteria are described in the Student Handbook and auxiliary material (questions, exercises, etc.) for the essays are posted on the course's website.

SUGGESTED LITERATURE

Textbook

- Roger G. Barry, Eileen A. Hall-McKim, Essentials of the Earth's Climate System, 1st ed., Cambridge University Press (2014)

Relate scientific journals

- Natural Hazards and Earth System Science, EGU
- Natural Hazards
- Theoretical and Applied Climatology
- Regional Environmental Change
- Climatic Change, Springer
- Nature Climate Change, Springer

Additional Teaching Material: Lectures notes, lectures presentations, essay material on the e-class platform

WEB PAGE:

<https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL467>

4.4. ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2020-2021

1) Winter Semester:

- a) Duration: Thursday 1 October 2020
to Friday 8 January 2021
- Field Exercises: See Paragraph 3 (Field Exercises)
- b) Examinations: Monday 11 January 2021
to Friday 5 February 2021
- c) Public Holidays:
- National Holiday: Wednesday 28 October 2018
 - Polytechnic Uprising Commemoration:
Monday 16 November 2020 to Tuesday 17 November 2018
 - Christmass/New Year Break:
Thursday 24 December 2020
to Wednesday 7 January 2021
 - University Holiday: Saturday 30 January 2021

2) Spring Semester:

- a) Duration: Monday 8 February 2021
to Tuesday 8 June 2021
- Field Exercises: See Paragraph 3 (Field exercises)
- b) Examinations: Thursday 10 June 2021
to Tuesday 6 July 2021
- c) Public Holidays:
- Ash Monday: 15 March 2021
 - Law School Uprising Commemoration:
21 February 2021
 - National Holiday: Thursday 25 March 2021
 - Easter/Spring Break: Monday 26 April 2021
to Friday 7 May 2021
 - Labour Day: Saturday 1 May 2021
 - Holy Spirit Day: Monday 21 June 2021

d) Classes are off during the of student elections.

3) Field Exercises:

Field Exercises WINTER SEMESTER Academic Year 2020-2021:

Sunday 16 May 2021
to Thursday 20 May 2021

Mapping- Field Exercises SPRING SEMESTER Academic Year 2019-2020:

Saturday 22 May 2021
to Tuesday 1 June 2021)

Field Exercises SPRING SEMESTER Academic Year 2020-2021:)

Thursday 3 June 2021
to Tuesday 8 June 2021)

Mapping SPRING SEMESTER Academic Year 2020-2021:

Saturday 28 August 2021
to Sunday 5 September 2021

4) Repeat Examination Period (September):

Monday 6 September 2021
To Friday 1 October 2021

Chapter 5

STUDENT CARE AND OTHER BENEFITS

5.1. SUSTENANCE

All students are entitled to sustenance at the Campus Refectory (tel. 210-72774443 και 210-7277734), which operates in the premises of the School of Philosophy, at approximately 10 minutes walking distance from The Department. Sustenance is subsidised and provided at particularly low prices. The Refectory is open daily, between 12:00 – 16:00 and 18:-21:00, except for a 15-day break during the Christmas and Easter holidays. Students are also entitled to special low-price sustenance at all other refectories of the NKUA, as well as and at the [University Club](#).

European Union students who meet the requirements of the Law with respect to (low) family income are entitled to free sustenance up to the day of their graduation. If students entitled to free sustenance decide to suspend their studies, the benefit is accordingly suspended but can be reinstated once they resume their studies.

Information can be sought in phone (landline) numbers 2103688216, 2103688252 and 2103688230, as well as at the Student Club, (Hippocrates 15 St., 5th floor, daily between 09:00 and 12:00.

5.2. HEALTH CARE

Subject to the limitations specified in Section 3.6 of the present Guide, students are entitled to free and comprehensive health and medical care for the duration of their studies and up to the 31st of December of the year of their graduation. Health care is provided at the numerous facilities of the University and at the clinics and hospitals of the School of Medicine. In special cases, or under special circumstances, care can be provided in facilities outside of the University. It includes in or out of hospital care, all types of medical tests, medication, child birth services, dental care, physical therapy, orthopaedic care and social services.

For students who decide to suspend their studies, medical and health care benefits are accordingly suspended. The benefits are reinstated once they resume their studies and up to their completion (also see Section 3.6 of the Guide).

If a student is entitled to the benefits of a third party health care provider, he/she has the right of choice between the services provided by the University or the services of the third party. If a student decides on third party care, all expenses will be reclaimed from his/her provider. However, if the student's health care provider may cover only part of these expenses, (e.g. only a percentage of hospital costs), the University will supplement the costs to their full extent.

The Health Services of the University are located in the 1st floor of the University Club; the landline of the secretariat is 210 3688218. Services include:

- Medical examinations (tel. 2103688208)
- Hospital care (tel. 2103688208, 2103688218)
- Pharmaceutical care (tel. 2103688208, 2103688241, 2103688243, 2103688210)
- Paraclinical examinations (tel. 2103688208, 2103688241, 2103688243, 2103688210)
- Examinations at home (tel. 2103688208, 2103688243)
- Physical therapy (tel. 2103688208, 2103688241, 2103688243)
- Dental care (tel. 2103688210)
- Orthopedic articles (tel. 2103688208, 2103688241, 2103688243)

Clinics operate at the University Club and the University Campus (Panepistimiopoli) as follows:

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- **Internal Medicine** (tel. 2103688241 and 2103688243): daily Monday to Friday between 8:00 and 14:00.
- **Gynecology** (tel. 2103688242) Tuesday and Thursday 10:30 - 12:45 and Friday 10:30 - 15:00.
- **Dermatology** (tel. 2103688209) Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 - 14:30.
- **Radiology laboratory** (tel. 2103688212), daily 8:00 - 13:30.
- **Dentist** (tel. 2103688210), daily 8:30 - 13:00.
- **Social and Psychological Support** (tel. 2103688226, 2103688282, 2103688209), daily 08:00 – 14:00.

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- **Internal Medicine** (tel. 2107275567): daily, Monday to Friday, 9:00 - 13:30.
- **Dermatology** (tel. 210 7275582) Monday and Wednesday 12:00 - 14:30.
- **Social and Psychological Support** (tel. 2107275580, 2103688282, 2103688209), daily 08:00 – 14:00.

UNIVERSITY CAMPUS – SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY (GROUND FLOOR)

- **Internal medicine** (tel. 2107277873): daily, 8:30 - 14:00.

UNIVERSITY CAMPUS – SCHOOL OF SCIENCES

- **First aid services** (tel 2107274391): daily, Monday to Friday, 8:00 – 20:30.

5.3. DISCOUNT IN TRANSPORTATION FARES

Students are entitled to 50% discount in Public Transportation fares (bus/trolley-bus, subway, tram and suburban railway) operating in the Metropolitan area of Athens and 25% discount in the fares of Public Transportation in other Greek cities. Students permanently residing in cities other than Athens are also entitled to a 50% discount in bus and railway fares to and from their city of residence.

The right to reduced student fares is effective immediately upon matriculation and holds until the day of graduation. Students are

supplied with a special ID card which they must produce when they buy a reduced fare ticket; the card is strictly personal and non-transferable. If lost, it can be replaced but only following a tedious process which may take a minimum of two months to complete.

For students who decide to suspend their studies (Section 3.6), the right to reduced fares is accordingly suspended and the ID cards are returned to the Secretariat. The benefit is reinstated once studies are resumed.

Further information can be sought in the Secretariat as well as at <http://paso.minedu.gov.gr> or in telephone numbers 801-11-31400 and 210-7724375.

5.4 OTHER FACILITIES AND CONTACT INFORMATION

5.4.1. FOREIGN LANGUAGES

See [Section 1.3.1](#)

5.4.2. ACCESSIBILITY UNIT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The mission of the Accessibility Unit for Students with Disabilities is ***to actively realize coequal access to academic studies for students with different abilities and needs, through built environmental modifications, Assistive Technologies and access services.***

The Unit provides students with disabilities with:

- Access to interpersonal communication with members of the academic community.
- Access to the built environment of the University including transportation services.
- Access to printed or electronic educational material.
- Access to classroom material and presentations.
- Assistance in note keeping, course and laboratory work and access to written examinations.
- Access to information, Internet content and applications of Information Technology.

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Website: <https://access.uoa.gr/en/>

5.4.3. STUDENT RELIEF FUND

Provides material and moral support in extraordinary cases or extenuating circumstances. The service is located at the University Club, 3rd floor; Tel: 2103688221; Website: <http://tafpa.uoa.gr/>.

5.5.4. STUDENT COUNSELING CENTRE

Open Monday to Friday, 10:00 - 16:00. Tel.: 2107277554; Website <http://www.cc.uoa.gr/skf/>

5.4.5. STUDENT OMBUDSMAN

The Student Ombudsman endeavours to:

- review complaints pertaining to problems with the academic and administrative services and seek their solution;
- facilitate the interaction of the students with the Institution and administrative services;
- review complaints related to violations of laws and regulations, as well as academic and professional ethics;
- inform the students about their rights and obligations as members of the University Community

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Telephone: 210 368 8274

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5.4.6. SPORTS FACILITIES

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**APPENDIX I –
GRADING SYSTEM FOR EVALUATION AND RANKING
OF CANDIDATE POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS**

		Weight Factor	Min/Max Points	Min/Max. Grade
a.	Degree	30	6.5/ 10	195/ 300
b.	Command of English <u>Points awarded:</u> C2 (Proficiency).....10 C1 (Advanced).....8 B2 (Lower).....5 Certificate/Degree by English-speaking secondary or tertiary educational institute10	8	0/ 10	0/ 80
c.	Command of other major Languages (French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin) <u>Point awarded:</u> Proficiency level10 Functional knowledge5	4	0/10	0/ 40
d.	Additional Studies <u>Points awarded:</u> Postgraduate.....3.5 Undergraduate.....3 Relevant practical exercises0.25 Continued education, seminars etc.0.75	20	0/ 4.5	0/ 90
e.	Experience in Research Points awarded for publications in Scien- tific Journals, Conference Proceedings etc.: ≥ 3 publications3 2 publications2 1 publication1 Participation in scientific projects1	20	0/ 4	0/ 80
f.	Professional Experience in Earth Sciences: ≥ 10 years.....3.5 5-10 years.....3 2-5 years.....2 Up to 2 years.....1 Other Professional Experience:... 0.5	20	0/ 4	0/ 80
g.	Interview	29	0/ 10	0/ 290
h.	Motivation Letter	4	0/ 10	0/ 40
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BASIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. Eligible candidates must demonstrate **undergraduate or previous postgraduate degree ranking at the top 35% of the scale by which their institution of origin ranks its graduates**. This is approximately equivalent to Level C of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). For example, Greek institutions rank their graduates on a scale from 5 to 10; therefore, Greek candidates must have a grade of at least 6.5/10 in order to be eligible. Failure to meet this requirement constitutes ***irrefutable presumption*** for the rejection of an application.
2. **Functional knowledge of the English Language (level B2 and higher)**. Applicants without official titles/ certificates of their command of English are entitled to request certification of their working knowledge by written and oral tests in front of an ad hoc Board appointed by The Department.
3. The personality and composure of the candidates is appraised by a personal interview in front of a student selection board. In order to be eligible, **an applicant should be able to secure at least one third 1/3 of the maximum points allocated for the interview, namely 96 points or 10% of the maximum possible number of credit points**. Failure to do so constitutes ***irrebuttable presumption*** for the rejection of an application.

APPENDIX II – NON-INFRINGEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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