

Fall 2015

EES 1005

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EES 1005-001: Earth through Time (Lab)

Syllabus: Fall 2015

Class time: Tuesdays 12:30pm-3:10pm

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Course Objective: This lab is intended to reinforce, through hands-on experience, the lecture component of this course and to teach basic fossil identification and map interpretation skills.

Resources: All the materials you will need for this class, including the individual labs themselves, homework and supplementary items will be available to you either through the departmental website or else on Moodle.

YOU are responsible for printing your lab PRIOR to the start of class and bringing it with you each week. The first lab will be provided. After that, no exceptions!

The following items should be brought to each class:

- Your lab printout for that week
- Any homework due (late homework will not be accepted)
- Pencil(s) with eraser
- Calculator
- Colored pencils are optional, but useful. (Some will be provided)

Grading Scale: Your grades will be based on a straight percentage. These percentages will result from your performance on quizzes, labs and lab exercises, homework and your fossil notebook, which is a major component of your grade. Participation will also be a consideration. The average will be normalized to a 10 point scale:

90-100%	A
80-89%	B
70-79%	C
60-69%	D
0-59%	F

Labs	~40%
Quizzes	~20%
Homework	~15%
Fossil Notebook	~25%

Rules and Regulations:

- There will be a quiz at the beginning of each class covering previous lab material and readings from the current week's lab. Please be sure to read the appropriate lab manual section PRIOR to class.
- If you must miss a lab, the only opportunity to make it up will be in the other section of 1005 during that same week. This is not to be done on a regular basis. Unless you actually need to make up a lab missed for an excused absence, you must attend the section of lab for which you are registered.
- All cell phones must be off and out of sight.
- Working in groups will be the norm. Groups of two or three are preferable unless otherwise instructed by the TA. This is meant to foster discussion and to serve as a conduit for information. However, each student is responsible for handing in his or her OWN work at the end of lab. Group lab reports will not be accepted.

PLAGIARISM/CHEATING: Quite simply: **DO NOT CHEAT.** It will not be tolerated. If you are at all unsure of what constitutes cheating and plagiarism, ask your TA. The penalty for any academic dishonesty is, at the very least, the receipt of a zero on the assignment, with a likely F in the class and may also result in expulsion from the university.

Academic integrity is fundamental to the process of learning and evaluating academic performance. To this end, academic dishonesty will not be tolerated.

Such dishonesty includes but is not limited to the following: cheating, plagiarism, tampering with academic records and examination, and being accessory to acts of academic dishonesty. Refer to the Student Code of Conduct for further information: <http://www.studentaffairs.uno.edu>

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: It is University policy to provide, on a flexible and individual basis, reasonable accommodations to students who have disabilities that may affect their ability to participate in course activities or to

meet course requirements. Students with disabilities should contact the Office of Disability Services (LIB120) as well as their instructors to discuss their individual needs for accommodation.

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ATTENDANCE:

- Attendance is mandatory, as per University policy. In addition, if you are not in class in the first ten minutes, you will miss the quiz for that day and will not be able to make it up.
- Unexcused absences are just that, unexcused. If there are extenuating circumstances you must talk to your TA at least 48 hours before the class you are going to have to miss. Any missed classes will need proper documentation to be considered excused if the TA has not been contacted ahead of time.
- Absence from 3 labs or more may result in an Incomplete or Failing grade.

Schedule:

Date	Lab #	Lab Title	Quiz #
8/25	1	Geologic Time	NONE
9/1	2	Structures	1
9/8	3	Sequences	2
9/15	4	Geologic Maps pt. 1	(HW#1 due) 3
9/22	5	Geologic Maps pt. 2	4
9/29	N/A	Work Session	5
10/6	6	Fossilization & Non Marine	NO QUIZ (HW#2 due)
10/13	7	Paleozoic Marine	6
10/20	8	Mesozoic & Cenozoic Marine	7
10/27	N/A	Work Session	8
11/3	9	Dinosaurs	NO QUIZ; Fossil Notebook due
11/10	10	Biostratigraphy pt. 1	9
11/17	11	Biostratigraphy pt. 2	10
11/24	12	Contouring and Topography (Field) (Be prepared to walk and maybe get your feet wet)	(HW#3 due) 11
12/1	13	Paleogeography	NONE

Important Dates

Last day to adjust schedule w/out fee..... 08/18/2015
Semester Classes Begin 08/19/2015
Last day to adjust schedule w/fee,
or withdraw with 100% refund..... 08/25/2015
Last day to apply for December commencement09/25/2015
Final day to drop a course or resign 10/14/2015
Mid-semester examinations 10/05-10/09/2015
Final examinations..... 12/07-12/11/2015
Commencement 12/18/2015

Fall Semester Holidays

Labor Day 09/07/2015
Mid-semester break..... 10/15-10/16/2015
Thanksgiving 11/26-11/27/2015

Withdrawal Policy - Undergraduate only

Students are responsible for initiating action to resign from the University (withdraw from all courses) or from a course on or before dates indicated in the current Important dates calendar. Students who fail to resign by the published final date for such action will be retained on the class rolls even though they may be absent for the remainder of the semester and be graded as if they were in attendance. Failure to attend classes does not constitute a resignation. Check the dates on the Registrar’s website, <http://www.registrar.uno.edu>. Please consult The Bulletin for charges associated with dropping and adding courses.

Incomplete Policy - Undergraduate only

The grade of I means *incomplete* and is given for work of passing quality but which, because of circumstances beyond the student's control, is not complete. The issuance of the grade of I is at the discretion of the faculty member teaching the course. For all graduate and undergraduate students, a grade of I becomes a grade of F if it is not converted before the deadline for adding courses for credit (as printed in the Important Dates Calendar) of the next regular semester including summer semester.

Repeat Policy -- When a student is permitted to repeat a course for credit, the last grade earned shall be the one which determines course acceptability for degree credit. A student who has earned a C or better in a course may not repeat that course unless, (1) the catalog description indicates that the course may be repeated for credit, or (2) the student's Dean gives prior approval for documented extenuating circumstances.

Academic Dishonesty Policy -- <http://www.uno.edu/student-affairs-enrollment-management/documents/academic-dishonesty-policy-rev2014.pdf>

Safety Awareness Facts and Education -- Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender is a Civil Rights offense subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories such as race, national origin, etc. If you or someone you know has been harassed or assaulted, you can find the appropriate resources here: <http://www.uno.edu/student-affairs-enrollment-management/>

UNO Counseling Services and UNO Cares -- UNO offers care and support for students in any type of distress. Counseling Services assist students in addressing mental health concerns through assessment, short-term counseling, and career testing and counseling. Find out more at <http://www.uno.edu/counseling-services/>. First-year students often have unique concerns, and UNO Cares is designed to address those students succeed. Contact UNO Cares through <http://www.uno.edu/fye/uno-cares.aspx>.

Emergency Procedures -- Sign up for emergency notifications via text and/or email at E2Campus Notification: <http://www.uno.edu/ehso/emergency-communications/index.aspx>. All emergency and safety procedures are explained at the Emergency Health and Safety Office: <http://www.uno.edu/ehso/>.

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Learning and Support Services --- Help is within reach in the form of learning support services, including tutoring in writing and math and other supplemental instruction. Visit the Learning Resource Center in LA 334, or learn more at <http://www.uno.edu/lrc/>.

Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity -- UNO is an equal opportunity employer. The Human Resource Management department has more information on UNO’s compliance with federal and state regulations regarding EEOC in its Policies and Resources website: <http://www.uno.edu/human-resource-management/policies.aspx>

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