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Semester/Credits	Subject & Course No.	Descriptive Title
(date & section)	1994-1995	Earth's land surface and its modification by surface processes. Topics include: minerals and rocks, geo-

INTRODUCTION TO EARTH SCIENCES

Geography 120

N: Textbooks and materials to be purchased by students.

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Form with Entries Under the Following Headings:

Complete

Introduction to Earth Sciences

Physical Geography Within Geosystems

2. Plate Tectonics and Crustal Deformation

Tectonic Theory

Development

Evidence

Mechanisms and Global Patterns

Boundary Types

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Plate Boundary, Plate Collision, and the

Mid-Ocean

Atlantic Ocean

Rock-Forming Mineral Families

Diagnostic Properties

Mineral Identification

4. Rocks

Igneous Rocks, Their Characteristics and Rock-Forming Environments

Sedimentary Rocks, Their Characteristics and Rock-Forming Environments

Metamorphic Rocks, Their Characteristics

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Rock Cycle

and Principles

Divisions of Geological Time: Periods and Epochs

5. Geologic Time

Criteria for Divisions

Fundamentals of Earth Science

Original Horizontality

Superposition

Geological Relationships

6. Topographic Maps

Projections

Map Scale

Geographical and Cartesian Coordinate Systems

Indicators

Direction In

Construction of Topographic Profiles

Calculation of Vertical Exaggeration and Gradients

7. Volcanism

Mechanisms and Global Patterns

Extensive Igneous Activity

- Eruption Types

- Vent Types

Resurfacing Rock sources

and Landforms

Weathering

Carbonation

Hydrolysis

Hydration

- FROST ACTION
- Pressure-Release

Factors Which Affect Rates of Weathering

- Climate
- Surface Area
- Jointing, Bedding, Foliation

Weathering

al Forms

MODES OF WEATHERING

- Spheroidal
- Regolith

istics

9. Soils

Soil Characteri

- Profiles
- Horizons
- Chemistry
- Properties

Calcium

Formation Factors
 Canadian System of Soil Classification
 Geographic Distribution of Canadian Soils

10. Mass Movement

Categories of Mass Movements

- Falls
- Avalanches
- Slides
- Flows

Creep

Factors Affecting Slope Stability

11. Hydrologic Cycle

Components of the Hydrologic Cycle

Water Storage on the

12. River Systems

Drainage basins, networks, watersheds and

Stream Orders
 Channel Patterns
 Processes

Stream Erosion

Flow Characteristics

Interference on River Systems

Impacts of Human

13. Groundwater Systems

Porosity and Permeability
Springs, Wells, Artesian Water, Caves

Solution Processes
Karst Topography

Interaction With Groundwater Systems

Encroachment

Human Interference
- Pollution
- Saltwater
- Subsidence

14. Aeolian Systems

Deserts and the Reasons for Their Distribution | Geographic Distribution of

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

This course will employ a number of instructional methods to accomplish its

- Lectures
- Labs
- Field Work
- Summative Presentations
- Slides, Videos
- Small Group Discu

Course Evaluation