



**2007 – 08 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET**  
**Degree: Bachelor of Science**  
**Major: Physical Sciences**  
**Concentration: Environmental Geology**  
[www.mesastate.edu/schools/snsn/geology/](http://www.mesastate.edu/schools/snsn/geology/)

**About This Major . . .**

The Bachelor of Science Degree with a concentration in Environmental Geology, is designed for students who (1) desire a strong liberal arts education with emphasis on environmental issues within the earth sciences, (2) wish to pursue a graduate degree in environmental geology, or (3) desire a professional or technical career. The Environmental Geology B.S. degree has the same basic framework as the B.S. degree in with a concentration in Geology. The specific focus of the Environmental Geology Program is different from the Geology Program, in that a stronger emphasis is placed on geologic hazards, ground-water and surface-water hydrology, low-temperature geochemistry, biological systems, and environmental science. Recent graduates are attending graduate programs at major universities or have entered the work force as geological technicians or professional geologists. Instruction takes place in a state-of-the-art science complex, which houses several instructional laboratories, a projects room, computer-applications laboratory, class preparation room, petrology-mineralogy laboratory, rock-storage facilities, and a sample preparation room. Most classes have a strong field component so that students can enjoy the diverse geological setting of the Grand Junction area. The program is supported by five tenure-track faculty members, plus four instructors. Equipment available includes research petrographic microscopes, binocular microscopes, a computer-assisted x-ray diffractometer, several scanning-electron microscopes (available through the Biology Department), GPS units, short-period and long-period seismometers and a magnetometer. Computer facilities include modern PC systems with software basics for communications, database management, word-processing, and also include software for geographical information systems (GIS) and geostatistics.

**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.**
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you will be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STUDENT ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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I, (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

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 Signature of Advisor Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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 Signature of Department Head Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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 Signature of Registrar Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

**Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.**

**Degree Requirements:**

- Must earn 120 semester hours total and meet the academic residency requirements to earn a baccalaureate degree at Mesa State College.
- 40 upper division credits (i.e., 300-level and 400-level courses).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all MSC coursework
- A "C" or higher is required in all major courses.
- Excess KINA courses beyond the two required and pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Program sheets are for advising purposes only. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, check with your advisor for additional guidelines, including prerequisites, grade point averages, grades, exit examinations, and other expectations. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all guidelines for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the faculty advisor and/or Department Head. Courses related to teacher licensure must also be approved by the Teacher Education Dept.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (31 Semester Hours)**

See the current Mesa State College catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____

(ENGL 129, Honors English, may be substituted for ENGL 111 & ENGL 112.)

**Math:** (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

MATH 151	Calculus I	5*	_____	_____
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\*3 credits apply to the General Ed requirements and 2 credits apply to elective credit

**Humanities** (3 semester hours)

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**Social and Behavioral Sciences** (6 semester hours)

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**Natural Sciences** (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

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**History** (3 semester hours)

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**Fine Arts** (3 semester hours)

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**OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

**Kinesiology** (3 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____

**Applied Studies** (3 semester hours)

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**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE DISTINCTION**

**REQUIREMENTS** (6 semester hours) Must receive a grade of "C" or better.

STAT 200	Probability and Statistics	3	_____	_____
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**Humanities or Social/Behavioral Sciences:** (3 semester hours)

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**PHYSICAL SCIENCES – ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY**

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS** (63-64 semester hours)

**Core Classes**

GEOL 111/111L or GEOL 113/113L \*

*GEOL	_____	3	_____	_____
*GEOL	_____L	1	_____	_____

\* Either GEOL 111/111L or GEOL 113/113L may be taken for credit, but not both.

GEOL 112	Principles of Historical Geology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 112L	Principles of Historical Geology Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 202	Introduction to Field Studies	3	_____	_____
GEOL 204	Computer Applications in Geology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 250	Environmental Geology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 301	Structural Geology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 301L	Structural Geology Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 331	Crystallography & Mineralogy	3	_____	_____
GEOL 331L	Crystallography & Mineralogy Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 355	Basic Hydrology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 402	Applications of Geomorphology	3	_____	_____
GEOL 402L	Applications of Geomorphology Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 415	Intro to Ground Water	3	_____	_____
GEOL 415L	Intro to Ground Water Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 444	Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	3	_____	_____
GEOL 444L	Stratigraphy and Sedimentation Lab	1	_____	_____
GEOL 480	Summer Field Camp	6	_____	_____
GEOL 490	Seminar	3	_____	_____

\* Either GEOL 111/111L or GEOL 113/113L may be taken for credit, but not both.

**Required Support Courses**

**BIOL102/102L or BIOL 211/211L**

BIOL	_____	_____	_____	_____
BIOL	_____	_____	_____	_____
CHEM 131	General Chemistry	4	_____	_____
CHEM 131L	General Chemistry Lab	1	_____	_____

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term
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**PHYS 111/111L or PHYS 131/131L**

PHYS	_____	4	_____	_____
PHYS	_____L	1	_____	_____

Course No Title Sem.hrs Grade Term/Trns  
**Restricted Electives** (7 semester hours; 8 hours of Restricted and General Electives must be upper division.)  
Choose from GEOL 325, GEOL 359, GEOL 361, GEOL 404, GEOL 404L, GEOL 455, GEOL 497, ENVS 312, ENVS 312L, ENVS 313, ENVS 313L, POLS 488, CHEM 132, CHEM 132L, MATH 152, STAT 311, \*PHYS 112/112L or \*PHYS 132/132L

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns

\*Either PHYS 112/112L or PHYS 132/132L may be taken for credit, but not both.

Course No Title Sem.hrs Grade Term/Trns  
**Electives** (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, **not listed above** that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. Excludes KINA activity courses.) (6-7 semester hours; 8 hours of Restricted and General Electives must be upper division.)

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
*MATH 151	Calculus I	2		

**Required Courses:**

GEOL 111 Principles of Physical Geology **and**  
GEOL 111L Principles of Physical Geology Laboratory **OR**  
GEOL 113 Field-Based Introduction to Physical Geology **and**  
GEOL 113L Field-Based Introduction to Physical Geology  
Laboratory  
(Either GEOL 111/111L or GEOL 113/113L may be taken for semester, but not both.)

BIOL 102 General Organisms Biology **and**  
BIOL 102 General Organisms Biology Laboratory **and**  
BIOL 211 Ecosystem Biology **and**  
BIOL 211L Ecosystem Biology Laboratory  
PHYS 111 General Physics **and**  
PHYS 111L General Physics Laboratory **OR**  
PHYS 131 Fundamental Mechanics **and**  
PHYS 131L Fundamental Mechanics Laboratory

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE – ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with their advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

### FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
GEOL 111* Principles of Physical Geology <u>and</u>	3	GEOL 112 Principles of Historical Geology	3
GEOL 111L* Principles of Physical Geology Lab <u>or</u>	1	GEOL 112L Principles of Historical Geology Lab	1
GEOL 113* Fld. Based Intro to Phys Geology <u>and</u>	3	ENGL 112 English Composition	3
GEOL 113L* Fld. Based Intro to Phys Geology Lab	1	General Education Humanities	3
ENGL 111 English Composition	3	General Education Social/Behavioral Science	3
MATH 151 Calculus I	5	KINE Activity (2 courses)	<u>2</u>
General Education History	<u>3</u>		15
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### SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
GEOL 202 Introduction to Field Studies	3	GEOL 204 Computer Applications in Geology	3
GEOL 250 Environmental Geology	3	BIOL 102 General Organismal Biology	3
CHEM 131 General Chemistry	4	BIOL 102L General Organismal Biology Lab	1
CHEM 131L General Chemistry Lab	1	STAT 200 Probability and Statistics	3
PHYS 111 General Physics <u>and</u>	4	General Education Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities	3
PHYS 111L General Physics Lab <u>OR</u>	1	General Education Natural Science	<u>3</u>
PHYS 131 Fundamental Mechanics <u>and</u>	4		16
PHYS 131L Fundamental Mechanics Lab	1		
KINE 100 Health and Wellness	<u>1</u>		
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### JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
GEOL 301 Structural Geology	3	General Education Fine Arts	3
GEOL 301L Structural Geology	1	General Education Applied Studies	3
GEOL 331 Crystallography & Mineralogy	3	General Education Social/Behavioral Science	3
GEOL 331L Crystallography & Mineralogy Lab	1	Restricted Electives	<u>4</u>
GEOL 355 Basic Hydrology	3		13
General Education Natural Science with Lab	<u>3-4</u>		
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### SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
GEOL 402 Applications of Geomorphology	3	GEOL 415 Introduction to Ground Water	3
GEOL 402L Applications of Geomorphology	1	GEOL 415L Introduction to Ground Water Lab	1
Restricted Electives	3	GEOL 444 Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	3
Electives	<u>5-6</u>	GEOL 444L Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	1
	12-13	GEOL 490 Seminar	<u>3</u>
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Summer Semester	Hours		
GEOL 480 Field Studies	6		

\* Either GEOL 111/111L or GEOL 113/113L may be taken for credit, but not both.