



2009 – 2010 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET

Degree: Bachelor of Science

Major: Physical Sciences

Concentration: Geology

Option: Environmental Geology

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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 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.

Signature of Advisor

Date

Signature of Department Head

Date

Signature of Registrar

Date

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.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- 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.
- A student must follow the MSC graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and Department Head.
- 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				

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)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

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

BIOL 102/102L or BIOL 105/105L or PHYS 112/112L or PHYS 132/132L or CHEM 132/132L

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History (3 semester hours)

HIST						
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Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

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OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS (6 semester hours)

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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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 (68 semester hours)

Geology Core Courses (39 semester hours)

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				
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GEOL 112L	Principles of Historical Geology Lab	1				
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GEOL 202	Introduction to Field Studies	3				
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GEOL 204	Computer Applications in Geology	3				
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GEOL 301	Structural Geology	3				
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GEOL 301L	Structural Geology Lab	1				
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GEOL 331	Crystallography & Mineralogy	3				
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GEOL 331L	Crystallography & Mineralogy Lab	1				
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GEOL 402	Applications of Geomorphology	3				
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GEOL 402L	Applications of Geomorphology Lab	1				
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GEOL 444	Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	3				
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GEOL 444L	Stratigraphy and Sedimentation Lab	1				
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GEOL 480	Summer Field Camp	6				
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GEOL 490	Seminar	3				
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Required Geology Courses (10 semester hours)

GEOL 250	Environmental Geology	3				
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GEOL 355	Basic Hydrology	3				
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GEOL 415	Intro to Ground Water	3				
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GEOL 415L	Intro to Ground Water Lab	1				
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Required Support Courses (10 semester hours)

CHEM 131	General Chemistry	4				
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CHEM 131L	General Chemistry Lab	1				
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PHYS 111/111L or PHYS 131/131L

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Restricted Electives (9 semester hours)

NOTE: Eight hours of Restricted and General Electives must be upper division.

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

Course	No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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ELECTIVES (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, **not listed above** that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. 9 semester hours)

NOTE: Eight hours of Restricted and General Electives must be upper division.

*MATH 151	Calculus I	2	_____	_____	_____
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RESTRICTED ELECTIVES:

GEOL 325 Introduction to Engineering Geology (3)
 GEOL 359 Surv of Energy-Related Nat Resources (3)
 GEOL 361 Surv of Mineral-Related Natural Resources (3)
 GEOL 394 Natural Resources of the West (1)
 GEOL 404 Geophysics (3)
 GEOL 404L Geophysics Lab (1)
 GEOL 455 River Dynamics (3)
 GEOL 455L River Dynamics Lab (1)
 GEOL 497 Structured Research (1-3)
 ENVS 312 Soil Science and Sustainability (3)
 ENVS 312L Soil Science and Sustainability Lab (1)
 ENVS 313 Characterization of Contaminated Sites (3)

ENVS 313L Characterization of Cont Sites Lab (1)
 POLS 488 Environmental Politics and Policy (3)
 CHEM 132 General Chemistry (4)
 CHEM 132L General Chemistry Lab (1)
 MATH 152 Calculus II (5)
 STAT 311 Statistical Methods (3)
 PHYS 112 General Physics (4)
and PHYS 112L General Physics Lab (1)
or PHYS 132 Electromagnetism and Optics (4)
and PHYS 132L Electromagnetism and Optics Lab (1)

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 the assigned 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 100 Health and Wellness	1
General Education History	<u>3</u>	KINA Activity	<u>1</u>
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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	STAT 200 Probability and Statistics	3
CHEM 131 General Chemistry	4	Degree Distinction Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities	3
CHEM 131L General Chemistry Lab	1	Electives	4
PHYS 111 General Physics <u>and</u>	4	General Education Natural Science	<u>3</u>
PHYS 111L General Physics Lab <u>OR</u>	1		16
PHYS 131 Fundamental Mechanics <u>and</u>	4		
PHYS 131L Fundamental Mechanics Lab	<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>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</u>	GEOL 444L Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	1
	12	GEOL 490 Seminar	3
		KINA Activity	<u>1</u>
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Summer Semester	Hours
GEOL 480 Field Studies	6

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