

I. Instructor

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This is an online course that requires students to be fairly skilled in the use of the Internet. We will be communicating using UH's course software [Laulima](#), through which you will access and submit all course materials. Through Laulima you will also watch linked videos on YouTube and other outlets, along with the instructor's video lecture recordings. Most of all you need to receive and respond to email messages through your UH account. For more information on how this course will work check out the "Start Here" module in the Laulima course shell.

II. Optional Text: *Essentials of Geology; 7th Edition* (S. Marshak)

The text is fully optional because I will only test you on the topics that I lecture on specifically. If you will never read it otherwise then please save the money. However, if you ultimately find that you need additional clarification or want more information on any subject, I highly recommend that you buy, rent, borrow or share a copy of this excellent book. All of the content in the video lectures and more can be found in this book. Used copies of previous editions of this text and other similar texts will work fine too.

III. Office Hours

If you have questions or concerns just email me and I always respond as quickly as I can.

I will "officially" be able to answer emails 5x/week: Monday through Friday until 7 pm (HI time). If you have emailed me and haven't received an immediate reply, please be patient before you try me again. I will respond, I promise! Normally I may be able to get back to you very quickly.

IV. Course Technologies and Equipment

This course uses Laulima. If you are new to Laulima, you can follow this link to the [Laulima Support for Student](#) help page. During the semester, if technology questions arise, call the Information Technology Services (ITS) at (808) 956-8883 or Toll Free (800)-558-2669.

You can also click on the "Help" button in the Laulima course shell and it will connect you to helpful resources to get you through just about any issue.

Since we will only communicate using Laulima and email you will need to use your UH student email. I may be able to respond to your personal email but when I send you a message it will be to your UH account.

V. Course Description

(From the UH course catalog): *The natural physical environment; the landscape; rocks and minerals, rivers and oceans; volcanism, earthquakes, and other processes inside the Earth; effects of human use of the Earth and its resources.*

VI. Course Objectives

To present you with a well-rounded introduction of how the Earth works and how its processes shape the landscape and impact your lives. This course satisfies the General Education Requirement (GER) so by design it is meant to cover a wide range of applicable topics to help make you a well-rounded citizen of planet Earth! At the completion of the course you will have a general understanding of your planet's physical processes both on the surface and in the interior.

VII. Student Learning Objectives

The **Department of Earth Sciences** has established the following undergraduate student learning objectives.

- Students can explain the relevance of geology and geophysics to human needs, including those appropriate to Hawaii, and be able to discuss issues related to geology and its impact on society and planet Earth.
- Students can apply technical knowledge of relevant computer applications, laboratory methods, and field methods to solve real-world problems in geology and geophysics.
- Students use the scientific method to define, critically analyze, and solve a problem in earth science.
- Students can reconstruct, clearly and ethically, geological knowledge in both oral presentations and written reports.
- Students can evaluate, interpret, and summarize the basic principles of geology and geophysics, including the fundamental tenets of the sub-disciplines, and their context in relationship to other core sciences, to explain complex phenomena in geology and geophysics.

VIII. Class participation:

Be sure to always read the Lualima Announcements to enhance your participation and stay current.

- **Students are expected to watch the presentations on Lualima, read the assigned readings, and complete all assignments on time.**
- Students are expected to read the assigned sections in the text and any other sources provided.
- Students are expected to ask relevant questions.
- Pay attention to announcements and course documents posted on Lualima.
- The instructor will send emails to individual students. **You must use your UH email account or make sure it is forwarded to other accounts if you use them. The instructor takes no responsibility if you fail to check your UH email account.**
- Students enrolled in this online class are expected to keep up with all assignments on a timely basis.

Please note: for any email you send me, please remember that I get a lot of emails so please include in the subject line: your full name, course name (ERTH 101), and the topic of your email (e.g. Valentino Rossi EARTH 101 Streams Learning Module Quiz). If you just sign off with "KC" and the email came from awesomestudent@hawaii.com I won't be able to figure out who it is! Keep to one topic (the one indicated in the subject line) in your discussion. End with your full name since other students may have your same first name.

IX. Types of Assignments and Submission Deadlines

- Watch the video lecture and any other videos I have posted
- Quizzes based on the module topics
- Mid-term exams

X. Missing the Weekly Submission Deadline: Please read this section carefully and completely!

This is an asynchronous online course with quizzes and exams that are graded automatically and the answers to the quizzes and exams are immediately available to every student immediately after the weekly submission deadline has passed. This prompt feedback makes it **IMPOSSIBLE** to extend deadlines or reopen assignments if you miss them because the answers are already part of the public record. As a result late work is **NOT** possible and the deadlines cannot be extended for any reason. Since you will be submitting all your assignments through Laulima, missing the weekly deadlines for assignments for any reason results in an automatic **ZERO** for that assignment. You will always have over a full week to complete the weekly quizzes and exams but after the final submission time passes there will be nothing I can do to help you. This also applies if you elect to wait until the last minute to complete the work and then have a sudden life crisis or a computer issue.

If you have questions or issues during the week I encourage you to contact me since helping you is always one of my favorite aspects of this job. The only time I will not respond to an email from you is if you have missed the submission deadline for any reason and are asking for a chance to extend or reopen an assignment. If this happens just refer back to this section and you will have your answer. So get your work done well before the deadline and your life (and mine) will be smooth. Ok, so you got it??? Assignments, quizzes and exams **CANNOT** be made up later than the due date so please do not ask. I have no extra credit or any other type of assignment you can do to make up for a missed assignment. **All the due dates and times are listed in the syllabus.** If you are used to courses that accept late work or give extra credit then this may not be the course for you.

XI. Network Outage Plan

Since this is an online course it relies heavily on the Internet and having a good Internet connection. Your quizzes and exams are taken over the Internet so make sure you are somewhere with a good connection. Occasionally there are internal problems with UH's network or Laulima. Usually these problems are temporary and your quizzes and exams will not be affected. More often than not there are external problems with your Internet service or your connection. For this reason I would suggest that you get your assignments completed well before the deadline approaches on the due date and time. If you have issues taking a quiz or exam, and it is **NOT** within two hours of the deadline, I will always happily reset a quiz or exam for you. Just email me and will respond as promptly as I can. However, if it is within two hours of the deadline there may not be time for me to respond and you will not get a second chance. Just to be clear, you will normally have over seven days to complete your assignments. If you elect to complete them at the last minute and something goes wrong with your life or your Internet connection then I may not be able to reset your quiz or exam.

XII. Course Evaluation and Assessment:

Students final grades will be based on the total number of points received from weekly assignments, quizzes, and exams. **Note: plagiarism and/or cheating will result with an F for the test or assignment.**

Grading: UH uses the “plus” and “minus” system so grades will be assigned using the following scale:

A+ (97-100)	A (93 – 96.99)	A- (90 - 92.99)
B+ (87-89.99)	A (83 – 86.99)	B- (80 - 82.99)
C+ (77-79.99)	C (73 – 76.99)	C- (70 - 72.99)
D+ (67-69.99)	D (63 – 66.99)	D- (60 - 62.99)
F = < 60%		

XIII: Audit Policy:

There are no requirements to auditing this class if you decide to change later in the semester.

XIV: Plagiarism and cheating policy:

As per university policy: Academic integrity is a basic principal that requires all students to take credit for the ideas and efforts that are their own. Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic dishonesty are defined as the submission of materials in assignment, exams, or other academic work that is based on sources prohibited by the faculty member. Academic dishonesty is defined further in the “Student Code of Conduct.” In addition to any adverse academic action, which may result from the academically dishonest behavior, the University specifically reserves the right to address and sanction the conduct involved through student judicial review procedures and the Academic Dispute Resolution Procedure specified in the University catalogue.

XV. Protocols for Communicating with your Instructor and other Students Via the Internet:

- The most important rule of communicating electronically is, “**Think before you post!**”
- **Send emails from an educational or a military account only. The instructor will not respond to any other email addresses (I get a lot of spam so messages I receive from addresses I don’t recognize I delete immediately.**
- In the subject line of emails indicate who you are, which class you’re in and what the content of the email is, for example “**Kelsey Jones, EARTH 101: question on Chap 3 about Mantle Melting**”.
- Use appropriate greetings, “**Hello Dr. Naumann or Dr. T**” (not “Yo”),
- **Sign off with your full name** at the end of your email. Believe it or not, I may not recognize you if you just put “Chuckie”.
- Emailing, messaging and posting on discussion boards in academia are different from emailing buddies and posting in newsgroups. You have to be courteous at all times, e.g. “**I would like to ask ...**”. People are easily offended and take things the wrong way. If you have any question that what you are sending may not be ok, have somebody else read it first.
- Email doesn't have the subtleties of spoken or face-to-face conversation, and it's remarkably easy to be misunderstood or to offend someone. Therefore stay polite, “**I have been working on this assignment for the past 2 hours – but am not getting any further. I like you to give me some advice.**” Be nice.
- Assume that the instructor is willing to help you with problems, “**Dr. Naumann, please get back with me at your earliest convenience.**” Hence intend to post using positive language. I am here to help you.

- Avoid internet slang such as btw (by the way), l8r (later), addy (address). Write in whole sentences with proper punctuation, grammar and spelling. Don't make it difficult for me to understand.
- If you are referring to a previous email, post, or textbook passage, include and quote the reference properly. It makes it more convenient for the instructor to be reminded of the original content and to not have to search for the original.
- If you believe someone has violated these procedures, do not post a follow-up to the offending post. Send a private email to your instructor about the violation and let the instructor handle the situation. Do not try to resolve it on your own. Be polite.
- Do not use all caps and do not use exclamation points. THAT'S LIKE SHOUTING!!!!!!
- Do not presume someone received your email – errors do occur. If it is an assignment or an important question, send it 'return receipt requested'.
- Allow the instructor time to respond. If you send an email or post a message on the weekend or on a weekday late afternoon, do not expect an instructor's response until the next business day.

XVI: Academic Success and Disability Support Services

Please feel free to talk to your instructor anytime about your performance in the course or possible ways you can improve. Excellent references are available on the web and there are support texts in the library and classroom. I encourage you to organize study groups with your fellow students.

If you need disability-related accommodations, please notify the KOKUA Program (808) 956-7511. E-mail: kokua@hawaii.edu

<http://www.hawaii.edu/kokua/>

XVII: Title IX

The University of Hawai'i is committed to providing a learning, working and living environment

that promotes personal integrity, civility, and mutual respect and is free of all forms of sex discrimination and gender-based violence, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. If you or someone you know is experiencing any of these, the University has staff and resources on your campus to support and assist you. Staff can also direct you to resources that are in the community. Here are some of your options:

As members of the University faculty, your instructors are required to immediately report any incident of potential sex discrimination or gender-based violence to the campus Title IX Coordinator.

Although the Title IX Coordinator and your instructors cannot guarantee confidentiality, you will still have options about how your case will be handled. Our goal is to make sure you are aware of the range of options available to you and have access to the resources and support you need. If you wish to remain ANONYMOUS, speak with someone CONFIDENTIALLY, or would like to receive information and support in a CONFIDENTIAL setting, use the confidential resources available here:

<http://www.manoa.hawaii.edu/titleix/resources.html#confidential>

If you wish to directly REPORT an incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking as well as receive information and support, contact: Dee Uwono, Title IX Coordinator, (808) 956-2299, t9uhm@hawaii.edu.

Dynamic Earth Learning Module Schedule for Spring 2024

	Date	Subject	Chapter Reading	Quiz/Exam Due Date
Week 1:	Jan 08	Introduction / Minerals	1 / 4	1/15 @ 7 pm
Week 2:	Jan 15	Plate Tectonics	3	1/22 @ 7 pm
Week 3:	Jan 22	Igneous Rocks	5	1/29 @ 7 pm
Week 4:	Jan 29	Volcanoes	6	2/05 @ 7 pm
Week 5:	Feb 05	Exam 1 (Weeks 1 – 4) Weathering	7	2/12 @ 7 pm 2/12 @ 7 pm
Week 6:	Feb 12	Sedimentary Rocks	8	2/19 @ 7 pm
Week 7:	Feb 19	Metamorphic Rocks	9	2/26 @ 7 pm
Week 8:	Feb 26	Geologic Time	12	3/04 @ 7 pm
Week 9:	Mar 04	Mountain Building	10	3/11 @ 7 pm
Week 10:	Mar 11	Earthquakes	11	3/18 @ 7 pm
	Mar 18	Spring Break!!*		
Week 11:	Mar 25	Exam 2 (Weeks 5 – 10) Mass Wasting	16	4/01 @ 7 pm 4/01 @ 7 pm
Week 12:	Apr 01	Surface Water	17	4/08 @ 7pm
Week 13:	Apr 08	Groundwater	18	4/15 @ 7pm
Week 14:	Apr 15	Glaciers	15	4/22 @ 7pm
Week 15:	Apr 22	Coastal Geology	20	4/29 @ 7pm
Week 16:	May 06	Exam 3 (Weeks 10 – 15)		5/10 @ 7pm (Friday!)

***Please Note:** There are multiple single-day University holidays scattered throughout the semester. This schedule does not show their individual dates. There is also Spring Break. You are not expected to perform University-related work on these holidays, so depending upon when they fall, please plan accordingly.