# University of Engineering and Technology, Taxila

Department of Civil Engineering

**Course Title:** Engineering Geology (CE-103)

**Pre-requisite(s):** None

**Credit Hours:** 2+1

**Contact Hours:** 2+3

**Text Book(s):** 1. A Geology for Engineers, by F.G.H. Blyth and M.H. De Freitas,

7<sup>th</sup> Edition

**Reference Book(s):** 1. Principles of Physical, Geology, by Arthur Holmes, 4th revised

edition

2. Geology for Civil Engineers, by Marcus Matthew and Noel

Simon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

# **Catalog Data:**

Introduction; Rocks & Minerals, Structural Features; Weathering and Erosion, Volcanoes; Landslides; Earthquakes; Tunneling; Geological Survey Maps; Engineering Applications.

### **Course Objectives:**

- o To understand composition of various minerals, rock and their properties.
- o To develop a skills for application of geology to engineering problems.

# **Course Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of this course, the student will:

- CLO:1 Understand the basic concept of geology
- CLO:2 Understand the formation of rocks and structural features of strata
- CLO:3 Have knowledge about landscape, earthquakes and tunneling
- CLO:4 Apply acquired knowledge in civil engineering projects
- CLO:5 Have skills to understand geological survey maps

#### **Course Contents:**

#### Introduction

- Introduction to various branches of geology
- Origin and internal constitution of the earth.

# **Rocks and Minerals, Structural Features**

- Main groups
- Igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks
- Important minerals and ores
- · Rock cycle.
- Glaciers and glaciations
- Dip, strike, folds, faults, joints, unconformities conformable and un conformable series of strata
- Effects of folding.
- Faulting and jointing on civil engineering projects and their recognition in the field

# Weathering and Erosion, Volcanoes

- Agents of weathering and erosion
- Weathering classification
- · Cycle of erosion, normal, glacial and marine erosion
- Land forms
- Mass wasting
- Formation of meanders and ox-bow lakes
- Formation of volcanoes
- Causes of volcanoes
- Nature and types of volcanic eruptions
- Products of eruptions
- Types of volcanoes
- Geysers

#### Landslides

- Definition, causes of landslides
- Classification of landslides
- Preventive measures against landslides

# **Earthquakes**

- Definition and related technical terms
- Causes of earthquake
- Classification of earthquakes
- Earthquake or seismic waves
- Mechanism of earthquake
- Measuring of earthquake intensity (modified mercali intensity scale)
- Effects of earthquake and protective measures against earthquake

### **Tunneling**

- Engineering geology of tunnels
- Geological survey prior to tunnel

- Lining of tunnels and their section
- Selection of tunnel site and its requirements.

### **Geological Survey Maps**

- Physical method of subsurface mapping
- Exploratory geological surveys at engineering sites

# **Engineering Applications**

- Importance of geology for civil engineering projects,
- Important building stones and other construction materials.
- Geology of aquifers, wells, springs, streams and ground water conditions, hydrologic cycle.
- Role of geology in selection of sites for dams, reservoirs and pertinent geological investigations.
- Geology of foundations, cutting tunnels, highways, airfields and bridges.

### **Grading Policy:**

Sr. No.	Grading	% of Total Marks
1	Assignments	10
2	Quizzes	10
3	Practical	20
4	Midterm Exam	20
5	Final Exam	40
	Total	100

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who pass the course will gain the knowledge about formation of rocks, structural features of strata, occurrence of earthquakes/landslides and geological survey maps.

### **Course Professional Outcome/Industrial Usage:**

Students learn basic ideas and concept of structural features of strata, occurrence of earthquakes/landslides and geological survey maps. Furthermore, they would be able to give input in geotechnical engineering.

	CLOs					
	CLO-1	CLO-2	CLO-3	CLO-4	CLO-5	
PLOs	(Basic Concept	(Structural	(Study of	(Application)	(Skills for	
	of Geology)	Features of	earthquakes,		Geological	
		Stratas)	landscape,		Survey	
		,	Tunneling)		Maps)	
PLO 1					1 /	
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Knowledge)						
PLO 2			1			
(Problem Analysis)			V			
PLO 3						
(Design/Development						
of Solutions)						
PLO 4			<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>	$\checkmark$	
(Investigation)			•	<u> </u>	•	
PLO 5						
(Modern Tool Usage)						
PLO 6						
(The Engineer and						
Society)						
PLO 7						
(Environment and						
Sustainability)						
PLO 8						
(Ethics)						
PLO 9						
(Individual and Team						
work)						
PLO 10						
(Communication)						
PLO 11						
(Project Management)						
PLO 12						
(Lifelong Learning)						

Assessment	CLOs					
Modules	CLO 1	CLO 2	CLO 3	CLO 4	CLO 5	
Assignments			✓	✓	✓	
Quizzes	✓	✓	✓			
Midterm Exam	✓	✓	✓			
Final Exam	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	