



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

DEPARTMENT OF GEOSCIENCE COURSE OUTLINE WINTER 2017

1. Course: **GEOLOGY 675– ADVANCED TOPICS IN DINOSAUR PALEONTOLOGY**

Lecture/Time/Session: 2:00-4:45 PM, Mondays ST 027A

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2. **Prerequisites:** Zool 571 or Permission of Instructor

Note: Students are responsible to ensure that they meet all pre- and co-requisite requirements, as listed in the Calendar, for each course in which they are registered. Students who do not meet these requirements will be deleted from the course.

3. **Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described in sections [F.1](#) and [F.2](#) of the online University Calendar. In determining the overall grade in the course the following weights will be used:

Assignments, etc.	Weight
Presentations/Discussions/ Assessments	40%
Term Paper	40%
Participation	20%

Individual elements of the course will be assigned a percentage score. Final percentage grades for the overall course will be calculated based on the grade weighting scheme indicated above and will be converted to letter grade as follows:

Letter Grade	Percent	Letter Grade	Percent
A+	95-100	C+	65-69
A	90-94	C	60-64
A-	85-89	C-	56-59
B+	80-84	D+	53-55
B	75-79	D	50-52
B-	70-74	F	0-49

There will not be a final exam scheduled by the Registrar's Office.

4. **Missed Components of Term Work:** The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in [Section 3.6](#). It is the student's responsibility to familiarize himself/herself with these regulations. See also [Section E.6](#) of the University Calendar.

5. **Scheduled out-of-class activities:** There will not be any course components that take place outside of the regularly scheduled lecture or lab times. However, on some weeks the room may change (e.g. for an exam). Students are responsible for monitoring D2L or in-class announcements regarding class locations each week.

6. **Course Materials:** *No required textbook.*

7. **Examination Policy:** Closed Book. Non-programmable calculators allowed. Students should also read the Calendar, [Section G](#), on Examinations.
8. **Approved Mandatory and Optional Course Supplemental Fees:**
Students will need to obtain a mineral/rock identification tool kit for some of the lab exercises. This year, the fee for this kit is included in the regular course fees, so this will be provided during lab period after the fee refund deadline for dropping the course.
9. **Writing across the curriculum statement** In this course, the quality of the student's writing in laboratory reports will be a factor in the evaluation of those reports. See also [Section E.2](#) of the University Calendar.

10. OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:

- (a) **Academic Misconduct:** (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under [Section K](#). Student Misconduct to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties
- (b) **Assembly Points:** In case of emergency during class time, be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information on [assembly points](#).
- (c) **Academic Accommodation Policy:** Students with documentable disabilities are referred to the following links: Students with Disabilities: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/b-1.html> and Student Accessibility Services: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/access/>
- (d) **Safewalk:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk/>). Call 220-5333 for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- (e) **Freedom of Information and Privacy:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOI/PA). As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page. For more information see also <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>.
- (f) **Student Union Information:** VP Academic Phone: 403 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 403-220-3913, Email: science1@su.ucalgary.ca, science2@su.ucalgary.ca and science3@su.ucalgary.ca
Student Ombuds Office: 403-220-6420 Email: ombuds@ucalgary.ca; <http://ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>
- (g) **Internet and Electronic Device Information:** You can assume that in all classes that you attend, your cell phone should be turned off unless instructed otherwise. Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.
- (h) **U.S.R.I.:** At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses (www.ucalgary.ca/usri). Your responses make a difference – please participate in USRI Surveys.

Department Approval: ORIGINAL SIGNED

Date: December 5, 2016

Assistant Dean's Approval for
Alternate final examination arrangements ORIGINAL SIGNED

Date: December 7, 2016