



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF GEOSCIENCE
COURSE OUTLINE
WINTER 2015

1. **Course:** Geology 641, Advanced Structural Methods

Lecture Sections:

L01: MoWeFr, 10:00-10:50, SB 146

Lab Sections:

B01: Tu, 11:00 – 13:50, ES 213

B02: Tu, 14:00 – 16:50, ES 213

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See course information on Desire 2 Learn (D2L) GLGY 541

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2. **Prerequisites:** Geology 341 or 343 and completion of at least 15 full-course equivalents. See section 3.5.C in the Faculty of Science section of the online Calendar (www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-5.html)

Antirequisite: Credit for both Geology 541 and 641 will not be allowed.

3. **Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described 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:

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| Laboratory Assignments (8) | 10% | (due when indicated) |
| Midterm Lab Examination | 10% | (175 minutes, March 17 , in your scheduled lab period) |
| Final Lab Examination | 10% | (175 minutes, April 14 , in your scheduled lab period) |
| Term Project | 10% | (due March 10 , in your scheduled lab period) |
| Research Project | 60% | (due April 13) |

The Midterm and Final lab examinations will be open book with calculators allowed. They are intended to test for comprehension of material and problem-solving abilities, not memorization of definitions and formulas. Each piece of work (lab assignment, project report, lab midterm, lab final examination and research project) submitted by the student will be assigned a percentage score. The student's average percentage score for the various components listed above will be combined with the indicated weights to produce an overall percentage for the course, which will be used to determine the course letter grade. The conversion between grade points and letter grades is given below.

| Letter Grade | Percent | Letter Grade | Percent |
|--------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| A+ | 95-100 | C+ | 64-<68 |
| A | 89-<95 | C | 60-<64 |
| A- | 84-<89 | C- | 56-<60 |
| B+ | 78-<84 | D | 50-<56 |
| B | 73-<78 | F | 0-<50 |
| B- | 68-<73 | | |

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. **Course Materials:** Textbooks: Simony & Spratt "Structural Methods, 2003; Marshak & Mitra "Basic Methods of Structural Geology" will help with labs. Recommended reference books include: Davis, Reynolds, and Kluth (2012) Structural Geology of rocks and regions; Lisle & Leyshon (2004) Stereographic projection techniques for geologists and engineers; The course website (D2L) contains handouts for labs, lectures, as well as other resource material that you will find useful.

6. **Examination Policy:** No electronic aids (eg. cell phones, tablets, computers, PDAs) will be allowed during writing of any exams. Calculators, notes, previous assignments, etc. will be permitted to answer questions on exams. Students should also read the Calendar, [Section G](#), on Examinations.
7. **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.
8. **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:**
- (a) **Misconduct:** 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> [B.1](#) 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 (FOIPP). 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: 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca.
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 Email: sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca; [Student Ombudsman](#)
- (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 19, 2014

Associate Dean's Approval for
Alternate final examination arrangements: Original Signed

Date: January 5, 2015

Tentative Schedule

| Week | Lec # | Date | Topic | Lab |
|------|-------|-----------|--|--|
| 1 | 1 | Jan 12 | Course Logistics, Structure intro | Intro to Term Project |
| | | Jan 13 | Term Project | |
| | 2 | Jan 14 | Structure intro | |
| | 3 | Jan 16 | Mohr Circle, Stress & Strain, Rock Mechanics | |
| 2 | 4 | Jan 19 | Stereonet review, minor structures | Lab #1 Review plotting & projecting of structures |
| | | Jan 20 | Lab 1 | |
| | 5 | Jan 21 | Faulting 1 | |
| 3 | 6 | Jan 23 | Boreholes & dipmeter data 1 | Lab #2 Drill hole problems & dipmeter data analysis |
| | 7 | Jan 26 | Boreholes & dipmeter data 2 | |
| | | Jan 27 | Lab 2 | |
| | 8 | Jan 28 | Faulting 2 | |
| 4 | 9 | Jan 30 | Directional cosines, contouring & statistics 1 | Lab #3 Directional cosines & statistical analysis |
| | 10 | Feb 2 | Directional cosines, contouring & statistics 2 | |
| | | Feb 3 | Lab 3 | |
| | 11 | Feb 4 | Folding 1 | |
| 5 | 12 | Feb 6 | Structure maps 1 | Lab #4 Bengston diagrams & structure contour mapping |
| | 13 | Feb 9 | Structure maps 2 | |
| | | Feb 10 | Lab 4 | |
| | 14 | Feb 11 | Folding 2 | |
| | 15 | Feb 13 | Critical wedge | |
| | | Feb 15-22 | Reading Week | |
| 6 | 16 | Feb 23 | Dip-domain modeling, Busk arcs | Lab #5 Busk arc fold model |
| | | Feb 24 | Lab 5 | |
| | 17 | Feb 25 | Structural Styles | |
| | 18 | Feb 27 | Cross-section construction & balancing | |
| 7 | 19 | Mar 2 | Cross-section construction & balancing | Lab #6 Cross-section balancing |
| | | Mar 3 | Lab 6 | |
| | 20 | Mar 4 | Structural Styles | |
| | 21 | Mar 6 | Structural Styles | |
| 8 | 22 | Mar 9 | Strain Phenomenon, Riedel Shears, etc. | complete project |
| | | Mar 10 | Complete project | |
| | 23 | Mar 11 | Igneous Rocks | |
| | 24 | Mar 13 | Igneous Rocks | |
| 9 | 25 | Mar 16 | Recent Deformation | Lab Midterm exam |
| | | Mar 17 | Lab Midterm exam | |
| | 26 | Mar 18 | Recent Deformation | |
| | 27 | Mar 20 | Polyphase Folds | |
| 10 | 28 | Mar 23 | Polyphase Folding | Lab #7 Polyphase folding |
| | | Mar 24 | Lab 7 | |
| | 29 | Mar 25 | Modern topics | |
| | 30 | Mar 27 | Modern topics | |
| 11 | 31 | Mar 30 | Modern topics | Lab #8 Polyphase folding & ore reserves |
| | | Mar 31 | Lab 8 | |
| | 32 | Apr 1 | Modern topics | |
| | 33 | Apr 3 | Good Friday | |
| 12 | 34 | Apr 6 | Modern topics | Lab #9 Review lab problem |
| | | Apr 7 | Lab 9 | |
| | 35 | Apr 8 | Modern topics | |
| | 36 | Apr 10 | Modern topics | |
| 13 | 37 | Apr 13 | Review | Lab final exam |
| | | Apr 14 | Lab Final | |
| | 37 | Apr 15 | No Lecture | |