EESC32H3: Mineralogy and Petrology 2008

Grading Scheme

- Lab/tutorial assignments: 30%
- Lab tests: 20%
- Mid-term test: 20%
- Final exam: 30%

Assignments

One assignment per week is due at the beginning of the following class

Office Hours

Tuesday 1-2 pm SW410

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Week 1: Lecture: Fundamentals of mineralogy-definitions, physical properties, crystal systems

Lab: Hand specimen mineralogy-physical properties

- Week 2: Combined lab and lecture: Fundamentals of optical mineralogy-properties of light, how polarizing microscopes work, wave interaction, refractive indices, Becke lines, birefringence, sign of elongation, anisotropic mineral features, uniaxial mineral features, biaxial features, indicatrix, optical sign
- Week 3: Lecture: Mineral Chemistry- bonding and relationship to physical properties, chemical composition and classification, polymorphism, isomorphism, substitution, twinning, zonation, Bowen reaction series

Lab: Hand and Optical Mineral Identification Set 1

Week 4: Lecture: Intrusive and extrusive igneous rocks and their classification

Lab: Hand and Optical Mineral Identification Set 2

Week 5: Lecture: Part 1-Phase diagrams, magma generation and magma modification

Part 2- The Mantle

Lab: Lab test 1

Week 6: Lecture: Plate tectonics and igneous rocks

Lab: Igneous Rocks Ultramafic and Mafic compositions

- Week 7: Lecture: Sedimentary rocks Lab: Intermediate and Silicic Igneous Rocks
- Week 8: Lecture: Sedimentary Rocks: Part 2 Lab: Clastic sedimentary rocks
- Week 9: Lecture: midterm test

Lab: Carbonate Rocks and other Sedimentary Rocks

- Week 10: Lecture: Metamorphic Rocks Lab: Lab test 2
- Week 11: Metamorphic Rocks: Mineral assemblages and reactions Lab: Non-foliated Metamorphic Rocks
- Week 12: Lecture: Metamorphic Rocks: Protoliths and mineral assemblages Lab: Foliated metamorphic rocks