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Volcanology 702 (GLY 702)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	12.00
Programmes	BScHons Geology
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 2 practicals per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Geology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

This module traces the path of magmas from their ultimate source in the mantle, storage and evolution in the crust, through eruption at the surface where they interact with the landscape and atmosphere. Volcanic eruptions and the transfer of mass and volatiles from the deep interior of the planet. Transformation of the landscape by violent eruptions, and impact on the atmosphere on short timescales. An integrated history of magmatism and its central role in the production of the crust and the degassing history of the planet. The fluid dynamics of volcanoes, from viscous magma flows to turbulent, multiphase eruptions.

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