

## University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

## Introduction to geology 155 (GLY 155)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	16.00
Programmes	BSc Computer Science
	BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology
	BSc Extended programme - Physical Sciences
	BSc Geography
	BSc Geology
	BSc Meteorology
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Prerequisites	Refer to Regulation 1.2: A candidate must have passed Mathematics with at least 60% in the Grade 12 examination
Contact time	4 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Academic organisation	Geology
Period of presentation	Semester 1
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## Module content

Solar system; structure of solid matter; minerals and rocks; introduction to symmetry and crystallography; important minerals and solid solutions; rock cycle; classification of rocks. External geological processes (gravity, water, wind, sea, ice) and their products (including geomorphology). Internal structure of the earth. The dynamic earth – volcanism, earthquakes, mountain building – the theory of plate tectonics. Geological processes (magmatism, metamorphism, sedimentology, structural geology) in a plate tectonic context. Geological maps and mineral and rock specimens.

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