GEOPHYSICS (GEOPHYS)

GEOPHYS 5000 Special Problems (IND 0.0-6.0)
Problems or readings on specific subjects or projects in the department. Consent of instructor required.

GEOPHYS 5001 Special Topics (LEC 0.0 and LAB 0.0)
This course is designed to give the department an opportunity to test a new course. Variable title.

GEOPHYS 5010 Seminar (LEC 0.50)
Discussion of current topics.

GEOPHYS 5040 Oral Examination (IND 0.0)
After completion of all other program requirements, oral examinations for on-campus M.S./Ph.D. students may be processed during intersession. Off-campus M.S. students must be enrolled in oral examination and must have paid an oral examination fee at the time of the defense/comprehensive examination (oral/ written). All other students must enroll for credit commensurate with uses made of facilities and/or faculties. In no case shall this be for less than three (3) semester hours for resident students.

GEOPHYS 5096 Global Tectonics (LEC 3.0)
An integrated view of the Earth’s structure and dynamics with an emphasis on information gained through geophysical methods. Topics include seismology, heat flow, gravity, rheological and compositional structure, plate motions and intermotions, and mantle driving mechanisms for plate tectonics. Prerequisite: Geology 3310.

GEOPHYS 5099 Research (IND 0.0-15)
Investigations of an advanced nature leading to the preparation of a thesis or dissertation. Consent of instructor required.

GEOPHYS 5202 Exploration and Development Seismology (LEC 2.0 and LAB 1.0)
Principles of reflection seismology as applied to the delineation of geologic structures and the determination of stratigraphy and lithology. Emphasis on both the capabilities and limitations of the seismic method. The laboratory utilizes both modeled and actual seismic data. Prerequisites: Math 1208 or Math 1214; Geology 1110 or Geo Eng 1150.

GEOPHYS 5211 Seismic Stratigraphy (LEC 2.0 and LAB 1.0)
A study of the seismic expression of depositional models. Reflection patterns and reflection amplitudes are interpreted to determine bed thicknesses, fluid content, depositional environment, and lithology. Special data acquisition and processing techniques are examined. Prerequisites: Geophys 4521, Geology 3310, 3620.

GEOPHYS 5221 Wave Propagation (LEC 3.0)
A study of Hamilton’s principle and energy theorems, fundamentals of plane wave theory, waves in stratified fluids, elastic waves in solids, electromagnetic and hydromagnetic radiation, and Allen’s functions and point sources. Prerequisites: Geophys 281, 3221.

GEOPHYS 5231 Seismic Data Processing (LEC 2.0 and LAB 1.0)
Introduction to seismic data processing. Topics to be covered include statics corrections, filtering, velocity analysis, deconvolution, stacking and migration. The course has a field component to record seismic data. If this is offered in the summer, an off-campus trip may be needed. Extra fee may be charged to cover the field expenses. Prerequisites: Geophys 3210 or Geophys 5202.

GEOPHYS 5241 Advanced Electrical And Electromagnetic Methods In Geophysical Exp (LAB 1.0 and LEC 2.0)
Theory of the electrical geophysical methods as applied to subsurface investigations addressing geologic, engineering, groundwater and contaminant transport problems. Course content includes both passive and active methods and recent advances in the application of these methods. Course will include a field component illustrating application of techniques to local problems. Prerequisites: Geophys 3251, Math 2222.

GEOPHYS 5261 Computational Geophysics (LAB 2.0 and LEC 1.0)
Scientific programming in a UNIX/Linux environment, with emphasis on solving geophysical problems such as linear and nonlinear inversion, spectral analysis, seismicity, seismic wave attenuation, shear-wave splitting, and seismic tomography. Prerequisite: Geophys 3210.

GEOPHYS 5276 Special Topics (IND 0.0-6.0)
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GEOPHYS 5277 Environmental and Engineering Geophysics (LAB 2.0 and LEC 2.0)
Overview of geophysical and non-destructive test methods that are commonly used to investigate transportation structures and their foundations. Emphasis is placed on bridge system substructure, bridge system superstructure, pavement, roadway subsidence, subsurface characterization and vibration measurements. Prerequisite: Junior level standing or higher. (Co-listed with Geo Eng 5736).

GEOPHYS 5278 Geophysical Field Methods (LAB 2.0 and LEC 1.0)
Imaging of selected subsurface features and engineering structures using various geophysical tools. Special emphasis is placed on ground penetrating radar and surface wave techniques. One field trip at student expense required. Prerequisite: Junior level standing or higher. (Co-listed with Geo Eng 5761 and Civ Eng 5750).

GEOPHYS 5282 Environmental and Engineering Geophysics (LAB 1.0 and LEC 2.0)
An introduction to the theory and application of the gravity, magnetic, resistivity, self-potential, induced polarization and electromagnetic methods as applied to the solution of engineering and environmental problems. Prerequisite: Math 2222. (Co-listed with Geo Eng 5782).

GEOPHYS 5290 Advanced Topics in Geophysics (LAB 2.0 and LEC 1.0)
Consent of instructor required.

GEOPHYS 5299 Research (IND 0.0-15)
Problems or readings on specific subjects or projects in the department. Consent of instructor required.

GEOPHYS 6000 Special Problems (IND 0.0-6.0)
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GEOPHYS 6001 Special Topics (IND 0.0-6.0)
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GEOPHYS 6010 Seminar (RSD 0.0-6.0)
Discussion of current topics.

GEOPHYS 6040 Oral Examination (IND 0.0)
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GEOPHYS 6050 Continuous Registration (IND 1.0)
Doctoral candidates who have completed all requirements for the degree except the dissertation and are away from the campus must continue to enroll for at least one hour of credit each registration period until the degree is completed. Failure to do so may invalidate the candidacy. Billing will be automatic as will registration upon payment.

GEOPHYS 6099 Research (IND 0.0-15)
Investigations of an advanced nature leading to the preparation of a thesis or dissertation. Consent of instructor required.

GEOPHYS 6211 Advanced Seismic Interpretation (LAB 1.0 and LEC 2.0)
The integration of geologic information, well log data and seismic information for interpreting the earth’s subsurface using advanced 3-D seismic interpretation software packages. Reservoir identification and evaluation as well as horizon and formation attributes are included. Prerequisites: Geophys 3210 or Geophys 5202.

GEOPHYS 6231 Advanced Seismic Data Processing (LAB 1.0 and LEC 2.0)
Theory and application of seismic data processing. Topics to be covered include convolution, correlation, deconvolution, 2-D filtering, migration and inversion. Prerequisites: Geophys 4251, 5231, Stat 3115.

GEOPHYS 6241 The Theory of Elastic Waves (LAB 1.0 and LEC 2.0)
A mathematical study of elastic waves in the layered earth. Prerequisites: Geophys 3210.

GEOPHYS 6251 Geophysical Inverse Theory (LEC 2.0 and LAB 1.0)
A study of inverse theory applied to geophysical data, focusing on the relationship between data and model spaces and ways to estimate model parameters via global and local optimization techniques. Prerequisites: Geophys 3210 or Graduate Standing in GGPE.