

GLY 101 Survey of Geology Earth Revealed

Joseph Peterson, Instructor

E-mail: jpeterson1891@student.elgin.edu

Welcome to **EARTH REVEALED**, a study of the geologic wonders of this planet. During the upcoming weeks, you are going to read and study the text, view videos, learn about a vast array of geologic landforms and processes, visit suggested web sites, and complete assignments and tests. The course consists of 6 unit tests made up of 21 chapters (we will delete a couple), and 25 video presentations (we don't do #26). Our goal is to prepare you if you should go on in further geology studies and prepare you to be a well-informed, knowledgeable adult regarding the world around you.

Our goal is:

- Introduce the broad concepts of geologic science.
- Develop an understanding of those processes that constantly reshape the earth.
- Develop an understanding of the time frame involved in landscape evolution.
- Provide some insights into the role of the geologist.
- Develop an appreciation of our natural world.
- Gain some understanding of man's role in dealing with geologic phenomena.

1. Course Design

This course is divided into six (6) units. The course consists of viewing 25 videos, doing assigned reading, completing assignments, participating in the discussion boards, and taking tests. There are no class meetings nor open chat rooms. You will be working on your own, at your own pace throughout each section. Each section is approximately 2 ½ weeks long. Materials and assignment instructions will be made available at the beginning of each section. All section materials and tests are due at the end of each section. Section materials include the open book exam, assignment, and discussion board participation.

2. Videos

You will need to go to a free website and watch the videos on your computer—you will need a high speed access.

Go to: <http://www.learner.org/resources/series78.html>

3. Textbook

Contact the ECC Bookstore: eccbookstore@elgin.edu; 847-214-7395

4. Exams

There are six tests that are open book. The tests will not focus as much on your ability to memorize and recall facts, but your ability to apply what you have learned from the readings, videos, and discussions to practical questions regarding the material.

5. Assignments

Each of the section assignments are designed to enhance your awareness and knowledge of the topics discussed during the section. Many of the assignments will require you to read an article or view a webpage and answer questions regarding what you read. Some assignments will require you to write a short essay. Each assignment is worth 30 points. It is likely that the assignments will also involve participation in the discussion boards, giving you the opportunity to interact with other students in the class.