Geology 110  
Life Through Time  
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Course Description:  
This course is the study of Earth’s 4.6-billion-year history, which includes the evolution and timing of physical and biological changes. The objective is to study the history of the earth and its inhabitants throughout time based on scientific observations and theories. This class fulfills 3 units of lower division General Education (Plan R) in section S1, Natural Sciences. The level of difficulty of the material presented is appropriate for a college freshman who is not a science major, thus anyone in the course should be able to earn a C or better if willing to put in the necessary study time. Most students find that they earn better grades when they participate in study groups and complete extra credit activities if available.

Grading & Class Procedures:  
You are required to read the assigned chapters before the lecture on these chapters! To insure you do this I will give quizzes at any time. All exams are required to pass the class and will not be rescheduled without a documentable emergency of the most severe nature. The exams cover material from the lectures and the textbook. You are responsible for material from both sources so do your reading!

Recommended Skills for the class includes:  
Basic computer skills (use of word processor, email and file management)  
Basic internet skills (use of browser, searches, uploading and downloading files)

Students with disabilities. All students with disabilities requiring accommodations are responsible for making arrangements in a timely manner through the university’s center of disabilities: https://www.csun.edu/dres.

Canvas – you will automatically have access to this when you register for the course. You will see our class website available to you after you login.

Homework  
Most chapters have an associated assignment. Homework will be assigned on CANVAS. So that means you will need a computer (smartphone, or tablet) and internet access to complete each task. The library has computer access. It is highly encouraged to work together in groups outside of class to complete the homework. It is your responsibility to fill in the blanks in the schedule when homework will be due. No late homework will be accepted.
The **four exams** will cover only the chapters that precede them in the schedule. The final is not cumulative.

**Exam schedule and breakdown of semester grade (subject to change):**

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**Dropping** - Read the Schedule of Classes. If you decide that you don’t want to continue with this course, you must drop the class— you will not be automatically dropped if you simply stop doing the work.

**Additional Information**-
I adhere to CSUN’s policy on academic dishonesty. Cheating and plagiarism will result in the assignment of a zero for the exam and notification to the Office of Vice President of Student Affairs which may result in disciplinary action. Plagiarism is knowingly representing work done by others as one’s own.

**Other Key Points**—
- It is the responsibility of each student in this course to know and follow all written guidance given by the instructor in this class.
- Notes can be taken on laptops, but if I see that you are using them for anything else in the class that right will be taken away.
- Mobile phones are allowed for classroom activities such as CANVAS. Absolutely no texting, talking, Facebooking, Twittering, Instagramming, or Snapchatting.
- Turn on notifications on CANVAS.
- No makeups for examinations without prior notification and/or documented medical emergencies.
- Classroom activities and quizzes cannot be rescheduled.

**Grades are not negotiable.** Grades are earned by the student per the breakdown above and may be kept up with during the semester. I will be glad to meet with you if you have concerns about your grade during the semester, but by the last couple of weeks it is too late.

These policies and schedules are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances.