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Course Syllabus:

The latest is always on the "unofficial" web site, and in Blackboard

Office Hours:

"Office" Hours: Sunday or Monday evenings, 7-9 PM, (or by request) using Zoom... (send me an email)

Teaching Philosophy

I don't consider myself a teacher. I can't *teach* you anything. My goal is to encourage you to *learn*. Think of me as a cheerleader...

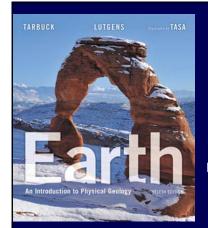
I don't **give** grades. I just **keep score**. **You** are responsible for your success.

Note that geology is a highly *interdisciplinary* field of study.

Lesson 1:

Earth - it's all one thing!



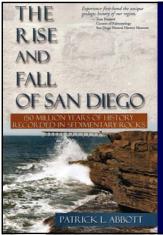


<u>Recommended</u> Textbook:

"Earth" (12th edition) by Tarbuck, Lutgens & Tasa

available in Miramar College Bookstore, online





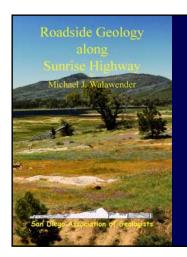
Optional Book:

("nice to have")

"Rise and Fall"
by Pat Abbott

available in finer bookstores everywhere, Online

Sedimentary Rocks along San Diego Coast



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"Roadside Geology Along Sunrise Highway" by Mike Walawender

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Igneous & Metamorphic rocks

S.D. back country





Student Learning Outcomes "SLO's"

- Students will be able to:
 - Differentiate among the 3 major types of plate boundaries and recognize their characteristic geologic features.
 - ■Identify common rock-forming minerals by their diagnostic properties.
 - Classify rock strata, faults and intrusions by age, using relative dating techniques.



San Diego County Geology

- One of the best places in the nation to study
 - **San Andreas Fault ZONE**
- Living laboratories:
 - Rose Canyon fault (and others)
 - Mission Bay, S.D. Bay, Mount Soledad
 - Santiago Peak volcanics
 - Marine sediments exposed in sea cliffs
 - Peninsular Ranges Batholith
 - Anza Borrego Desert State Park
 - Salton Buttes
 - ◆ Live volcanoes at our doorstep!



What Will I Learn?

- what geology is and what geologists do.
- an appreciation of the immensity of geologic time
 - punctuated by instantaneous catastrophic events such as earthquakes, tsunamis, floods, landslides and volcanic eruptions
- an understanding of how a variety of minerals and rocks are produced in the earth's crust.
- the geologic origins of important mineral resources and the distribution of these resources on the earth.
- an appreciation of how much we have learned about geologic processes since I began my geological studies forty-nine (!) years ago.



What Will I Learn? (continued)

- Mountain-building and opening of ocean basins
- Bizarre sea creatures that live at underwater volcanic vents
- Waves and coastal hazards
- Earthquakes in some surprising places...
- Supervolcanoes capable of rapid climate change
- How to use Internet resources to keep up to date on Earth changes
- Global climate changes through time
- and more!

