Course Number GEO-208-01

Course Description

Nearly all species that have existed on Earth are now extinct and are only known through the fossil record. This course examines the evolution and history of life on Earth as interpreted from the fossil record. Topics include fossil preservation, taphonomy, ontogeny, diversity trajectories through geologic time, evolutionary mechanisms, extinction, paleobiology, paleoecology, and paleoclimate. Special emphasis will be placed on using fossils to interpret ancient environments as well as deciphering past climates. The course focuses on the fossil record of marine invertebrates, but major groups of vertebrates and plants are also covered.

Academic Term

21/SP

Instructor

Verheyden-Gillikin, Anouk

Location & Meeting Time

Synchronous Online-ONLI T/TH 09:15AM-11:00AM LEC

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Credits

1.00

Capacity

14

**Total Students** 

10

**Additional Information** 

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Common Curriculum

SCLB Science w/Lab

**Interdisciplinary Programs** 

Environmental Science & Policy

Academic Department

Geology

Field Of Study

Geology (GEO)