Course Number GEO-207-01 **Course Description** Stable isotopes have become a fundamental tool in many biogeoscientific studies, from reconstructing past climates to tracking animal migration or unraveling foodwebs and even to study the origin of life on Earth and possibly other planets. This course highlights the applications of stable isotopes in biological, ecological, environmental, archeological, and geological studies. Students learn the fundamentals of stable isotope biogeochemistry in order to understand the uses and limitations of this tool. This course starts with an introduction to the fundamentals of stable isotope geochemistry and then moves on to applied topics such as paleoceanography and paleoclimatology proxies, hydrology, sediments and sedimentary rocks, biogeochemical cycling, the global carbon cycle, photosynthesis, metabolism, ecology, organic matter degradation, pollution, and more. Academic Term 22/FA Instructor Gillikin, David Location & Meeting Time T/TH 10:55AM-12:40PM LEC Credits 1.00 Capacity 11 **Total Students** 0 Additional Information http://www.union.edu/Geology **Common Curriculum** WAC Writing Across Curriculum Interdisciplinary Programs **Environmental Science & Policy** Academic Department Geosciences Field Of Study Geosciences (GEO)