Tentative Syllabus
EaSc 120 Historical Geology and Paleontology

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“Geological Map of Montana and Yellowstone National Park”

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This course presents a systematic study of the Earth through Geologic time by an
analysis of the geologic evolution of the Earth and its sequences of life forms reconstructed
from the paleontological record.

Course Objectives

1. To understand the evolution of Planet Earth through geologic time as evidenced by
changes in the fossil and rock record.

2. To apply the knowledge of rock and fossil types as a means of world wide correlation.

Course Content:

Jan. 19 Chapters 1 - 7
Feb. 21 Exam 1 Covering Chapters 1 - 7
Feb. 28 Chapters 8 - 15
Mar. 7 through 10 No classes. Spring break
Apr. 4 Exam 2 Covering Chapters 8 - 15
Apr. 11 Chapters 16 - 19
Apr. 25 Exam 3 Covering Chapters 16 - 19
Apr. 27 Make up Exam day

Course Requirements:

During the semester, three major exams and three unannounced quizzes will be given.
The three quizzes can not be made up if missed. Major exams may be made up if you
were absent on exam day for the following reasons:
(1) family emergency  (2) medical  (3) participation university sponsored activities.
These exceptions must be accompanied by an excuse approved by the Dean of
Students, or by the faculty member sponsoring the activity.

Students must complete all exams.
Grading:

Exam and quiz questions will cover materials presented lectures, text and assigned readings.

Students involved in cheating on exams will receive a grade of "F" for the semester.

Under no conditions will exams be given prior to the established dates.

Exams and Quizzes will be scored on the basis of the percent correct responses. The sum for the three quizzes will count as one major exam. The percentage of correct responses over all exams and quizzes will be averaged as a semester grade according to the scale that follows:

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Other

If you are a student having special needs because of a handicap, please see me so that we can work with Student Support Services to take care of your needs.

Electronic Devices:

The use of cell phones will not be permitted in class. If you have a cell phone please turn it off when you enter the classroom. Students can use calculators, and recording devices such as tape recorders.

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Office Hours: Please make appointments for all office appointments.