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School of Geosciences

Why Geosciences?

- 9:1 Student-To-Instructor Ratio
- Funded undergraduate research opportunities
- Internships with industry and government agencies
- Three-time international winner of the Imperial Barrel Award
- Diverse and multicultural faculty focused on inclusiveness

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics data estimates that by 2028, there will be a shortage of 35,000 geoscientists.

Bachelor of Science in Geology
Total Credit Hours: 120

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science
Total Credit Hours: 120

Degree Programs

- Exploration Geologist
- Environmental Geologist
- Mining Geologist
- State and Federal Geologist

Graduate Programs

- M.S. in Geology
- Ph.D. in Earth and Energy Sciences

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Potential Careers

- Earth Sciences
- Environmental Geology
- Paleontology
- Petroleum Geology

Research Topics

- Seafloor Methane Seeps
- Climate Change
- Faulting Processes/Seismology
- Geo/Rock Magnetism
- Vertebrate Paleontology

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