# Introduction of physical and chemical hydrogeology GEO 346C, Fall 2012

### Class details

Class room: JGB 3.116 Undergrad computer lab: EPS 2.103 Class time: 11:00 to 12:30

Unique: 27545

Prerequisite: Chemistry 302 with a grade of at least C-

Description: Basic concepts of fluid flow, surface and subsurface hydrology,

aqueous geochemistry, and fluid-rock interaction. Additional topics

include isotope hydrogeology, evolution of seawater,

and mineral-solution equilibrium.

#### Instructors

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#### Assessment

**Grading:** In this class we will use a  $\pm$  grading scale for the final grade. The final grade will be computed as follows:

Individual homeworks may be weighted according to length and difficulty.

Collaboration/Academic dishonesty: Homeworks can/should be discussed amongst students, but the solutions have to be written up individually. If you have discussed your homework with other students please note their names at the top of the homework (This will not affect your grade!). All students are expected to obey the UT Honor Code (http://registrar.utexas.edu/catalogs/gi09-10/ch01/index.html).

Late policy: Homeworks are due is class on Thursdays. Homeworks not received before the end of class are considered late. The score on late homeworks will be reduced by 10 points. If you know you won't be able to hand in your homework, due exceptional personal reasons, let me know as early as possible, at least a class before the homework is due.

Religious holidays By UT Austin policy, you must notify me of your pending absence at least fourteen days prior to the date of observance of a religious holy day. If you must miss a class, an examination, a work assignment, or a project in order to observe a religious holy day, you will be given an opportunity to complete the missed work within a reasonable time after the absence.

Emergency evacuation The recommendations for emergency evacuation from the Office of Campus Safety and Security, 512-471-5767, (http://www.utexas.edu/safety/ and http://www.utexas.edu/emergency):

- Occupants of buildings on The University of Texas at Austin campus are required to evacuate buildings when a fire alarm is activated. Alarm activation or announcement requires exiting and assembling outside.
- Familiarize yourself with all exit doors of each classroom and building you may occupy. Remember that the nearest exit door may not be the one you used when entering the building.
- Students requiring assistance in evacuation shall inform their instructor in writing during the first week of class.
- In the event of an evacuation, follow the instruction of faculty or class instructors.
- Do not re-enter a building unless given instructions by the following: Austin Fire Department, The University of Texas at Austin Police Department, or Fire Prevention Services office.

#### Course materials

No textbook is required, students will take notes in class. If you would like to look a textbook, *Applied Hydrogeology* by C.W. Fetter covers most of the materials in class and is on reserve in the Geology Library. Course materials will be posted on backboard <a href="https://courses.utexas.edu/webapps/login/">https://courses.utexas.edu/webapps/login/</a>.

## **Syllabus**

| week           | dates                      | topics   | homework |
|----------------|----------------------------|--|----------|
| 1              | 30 Aug                     | Introduction, Hydrologic cycle                   | HW 1     |
| 2              | 4 Sep, 6 Sep               | Hydrologic balance, infiltration                 | HW 2     |
| 3 <sup>1</sup> | 11 Sep, 13 Sep             | Rivers: hydrographs and hydraulics               | HW 3     |
| 4              | 18 Sep, 20 Sep             | Porous media and Darcy's law,                    | HW 4     |
| 5              | 25 Sep, 27 Sep             | Flow potential, heterogeneity                    | HW 5     |
| 6              | 2 Oct, 4 Oct               | Darcy's law in 2D & 3D, gradients, contacts      |          |
| 7              | 9 Oct, <b>11 Oct</b>       | review, $1^{st}$ midterm exam                    |          |
| 8              | 16 Oct, 18 Oct             | Streamlines, flow nets, regional flow            | HW 6     |
| 9              | 23 Oct, 25 Oct             | Wells, well testing                              | HW 7     |
| 10             | 30 Oct, 1 Nov              | Capture zones and examples                       | HW 8     |
| 11             | 6 Nov <sup>2</sup> , 8 Nov | Law of mass action, activity, aqueous complexing |          |
| 12             | 13 Nov, <b>15 Nov</b>      | review, $2^{nd}$ midterm exam                    |          |
| 13             | 20 Nov, 22 Nov             | Dissolution and precipitation of minerals        | HW 9     |
| 14             | 27 Nov, (29 Nov)           | Ion exchange and surface complexation            | HW 10    |
| $15^{1}$       | 4 Dec, 6 Dec               | Contaminant transport, review                    |          |
| 16             | 12 Dec, 19:00 to 22:00     | Comprehensive final exam                         |          |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>I am travelling, and lecture will be recorded.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$ Election day