

North Hennepin Community College

GEOL 1040: Minnesota Field Geology Series: Caves, Karst and Ancient Seaways

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 2

Lecture Hours/Week: *.*

Lab Hours/Week: *.*

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Come explore Minnesota's caves and ancient ocean floors! This course will examine the hydrogeologic processes involved in cave formation and the development of karst topography. In addition, we will evaluate the evidence of ancient oceans in Minnesota using the sedimentary and fossil record. Additional topics include: plate tectonics, geologic time, hydrologic cycle, rock, mineral and fossil identification, weathering and erosion, sealevel change, marine sedimentary processes. This course is a field experience including observations, hypothesis, predictions, and evaluation of scientific data and results. Three-day field trip around Minnesota is mandatory. Course is open to all students.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 01/25/2001 - 07/20/2016

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

None

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

None

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

1. Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World--Through study in the sciences, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, histories, languages, the arts, technology and professions.
2. Intellectual and Practical Skills--Including: Inquiry and analysis; Critical and creative thinking; Written and oral communication; Quantitative literacy; Information literacy; Teamwork and problem solving.