ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY - MINOR

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Description
The Environmental Geology minor prepares students to integrate concepts and knowledge of environmental geology and to communicate these issues to a variety of audiences, including policymakers and the public. Scientific knowledge about Environmental Geology processes is used to inform different areas of formal study such as anthropology, architecture, geography, political science, environmental law, environmental studies, and recreation and park management. Students will gain broad knowledge of geology, and the environmental impacts of anthropogenic-induced change on the earth in the immediate short-term and over longer periods. Competencies focus on human-water-rock interactions at Earth’s surface (the critical zone).

Admission Requirements
Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

To declare the Environmental Geology minor, students must have a minimum 2.000 overall Kent State University GPA. No Kent State University GPA is required if the student is a first-semester freshman or transfer student admitted in good standing.

Program Requirements
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| GEOL 40380 | BIOGEOCHEMISTRY                            |               |
| GEOL 41085 | MASS EXTINCTIONS: CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES   |               |
| GEOL 42030 | REMOTE SENSING                              |               |
| GEOL 42035 | SCIENTIFIC METHODS IN GEOLOGY              |               |
| GEOL 44025 | GEOLOGIC HAZARDS AND DISASTERS             |               |
| GEOL 44072 | MARINE PROCESSES                           |               |
| GEOL 44074 | PALEOCEANOGRAPHY                            |               |

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 15

Graduation Requirements
Minimum Minor GPA : 2.000
Minimum Overall GPA: 2.000

• Students must complete at least two upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) courses in the minor at Kent State on a graded basis (A-F).
• Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
• Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
• Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).