Accreditation and Quality Assurance Centre



1	Course title	Igneous Petrology
2	Course number	0305931
3	Credit hours (theory, practical)	3 credit hours
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	Sunday and Tuesday: 17:00-18:30
4	Prerequisites/co requisites	B.Sc. in Geology
5	Program title	M.Sc. in Geology
6	Program code	
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan
8	School	School of Science
9	Department	Geology Department
10	Level of course	
11	Year of study and semester (s)	2023/24
12	Final Qualification	
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	none
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Date of production/revision	Spring 2024

16. Course Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Ghaleb H. Jarrar

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- Understanding the formation of a given economic mineral deposits associated with this suite
- Establishing an absolute age for a sequence of rocks through the use of radioactive isotopes
- Identifying the source and conditions of formation of a given magma

Ultimate goal of all of these studies is to understand how magmatic processes operate!

17. Other instructors:

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None					

18. Course Description:

As stated in the approved study plan with modifications

Igneous rocks are those formed by solidification of magma. This course assumes a basic knowledge of igneous rocks. A solid knowledge of rock-forming minerals is mandatory for all students of petrology. It should be born in mind that all rocks ultimately are derived from igneous rocks e.g., consider the history of a rock like shale, which consists of clay minerals and other clasts has its origin from a granite by means of weathering. Igneous petrology deals with classification, occurrence, composition, origin and evolution from magmas. Field and lab description, microscopic identification of minerals falls under the **petrography** while the use of this info together with chemical data and the results of experimental results on magma to understand the evolution of these rocks form the basis of igneous **petrogenesis**.

19. Course aims and outcomes:

Aims

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B. Learning outcomes

After having completed this course, the graduate student should be able:

- 1. To differentiate between major magmatic suites on the basis of their of their tectonic setting;
- 2. To model the thermal history of a magmatic suite utilizing phase diagrams and relevant phase equilibria software.
- 3. To model the history of a given magmatic association utilizing major elements and trace elements chemistry of rocks and their minerals;
- 4. To model magmatic processes and thermos-tectonic history of a given suite based on well-calibrated mineral thermometers and barometers.
- 5. To make inferences regarding the economic potential of a given magmatic suite
- 6. To integrate all above mentioned tools including isotopes to write a petrogenetic model for a given magmatic suite

20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Topic	Week	Instructor	Achieved ILOs	Evaluation Methods	Reference

The following topics will be covered during this course:

- An introduction to magmas and magmatic rocks
- Major elements Chemistry of Igneous rocks
- Trace elements chemistry of Igneous rocks
- Binary and ternary phase diagrams as tools to understand the evolution of igneous rocks
- Geothermobarometry
- Basalts and related rocks
- Magma differentiation
- Gabbroic rocks
- Ultramafic and ultrabasic rocks
- Andesite, dacite and rhyolite
- How magmas erupt an introduction to pyroclastic processes and products
- Granitic rocks
- Alkali rocks

21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

Development of ILOs is promoted through the following teaching and learning methods:

Lecturing, homework solving of real data, reading and evaluating relevant publications

22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

Grading is based on participation in solving homework assignments, two midterm exams, and a final exam.

Homework assignments and reading material will be posted on the webpage of this course on the E-Learning

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