

COURSE TITLE		WEATHERING OF ROCKS				CODE: GC 4202	
LEVEL (UG-undergraduate/M-master) AND YEAR OF STUDY (1,2,3,4)		M1	SEMESTER	II	STATUS (CO-COMPULSORY/OP-OPTIONAL)		CO
NUMBER OF HOURS/ WEEK		TOTAL HOURS/ SEMESTER	TOTAL HOURS OF INDIVIDUAL WORK	CREDITS	EVALUATION TYPE (D-DURING THE SEMESTER, C-COLLOQUIUM, E-EXAM, M-MIXT)		LANGUAGE
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2		2		56	184	8	M English
LECTURER		POSITION, NAME AND SURNAME			DEPARTMENT		
		PhD Reader Dan Stumbea			Geology		
PREREQUISITES		Crystallography; Mineralogy; Petrology (igneous, metamorphic, sedimentary); Metallogeny; Geochemistry; Hydrogeochemistry; Biogeochemistry					
OBJECTIVES		Knowledge of: - factors of weathering - weathering processes - weathering products - analytical methods used in the study of rock weathering - experimental approaches - evolution of magmatic and metamorphic rocks under temperate climatic conditions					
COURSE CONTENTS		1. Factors of weathering 2. Processes of weathering (physical weathering, chemical weathering, organic weathering) 3. Weathering Products 4. Analytical methods in rock weathering approaches 5. Experimental approaches 6. Evolution of magmatic and metamorphic rocks under temperate climatic conditions 7. Evolution of ore deposits under weathering conditions 8. Influence of weathering processes on some environmental systems (soils, sediments, waters, atmosphere)					
PRACTICAL		1. Identifying the texture of mineralogical associations generated by weathering processes 2. Identifying the mineralogical associations generated by weathering processes 3. Identifying the chemical features of the mineralogical associations generated by weathering processes 3.1 Geochemical balance of major elements 3.2 Geochemical balance of minor elements 3.3 Geochemical processes at the solid/solution interface 3.4 Measuring the dissolution rate of minerals under weathering conditions 4. Experimental approaches					
TEACHING METHODS		Lectures, debates, learning through discovery					
RECOMMENDED READING		Bland, W., Rolls, D. (1998). Weathering. An Introduction to the scientific principles. Arnold, Londra, 272p. Pacquet, H. (1997). Soils and sediments. Springer, Berlin, 370p. Parker, A., Rae, J. E. (1998). Environmental interactions of clays. Springer, Berlin, 272p. Stumbea, D. (2007). Geologia zăcămintelor de minereuri. Casa Ed. „Demiurg”, Iași, 209p					
ASSESSMENT METHODS		Conditions	Active participation in lectures and seminars.				
		Criteria	Cumulative Evaluation				
		Way of evaluation	Written tests				
		Formula of the final mark	0.30 E + 0.70 D				