

**FRESHMAN****YOUR CLASS SCHEDULE**

- Focus on math and pre-requisite science courses. Spread out your core courses to maintain a manageable workload.
- Take CHEM 1305/1105, MATH 1508, GEOL 1313/1103, and one core course in the Fall semester.
- Take MATH 1411, CHEM 1306/1106, GEOL 1314/1104, and 1-2 core courses in the Spring semester.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

- Register for the first available New Student Orientation.
- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in April or late March for Fall advising.
- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in mid-October for Spring advising.
- Consider a maximum of 12 credits if you are working 20 hours a week, 9 credits if you are working 30 hours, and 6 credits if you are working 40 hours.

ENRICHING EXPERIENCES

- Explore the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Association of Women in Geosciences.
- Cultivate research experience in the field with an NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates. Apply from December-February for a summer internship.
- Check your UTEP email inbox frequently to learn about internships, scholarships, fellowships, and field research opportunities.

LIFELONG SUCCESS

- Strive for high grades to become eligible for membership in Sigma Gamma Epsilon/The Geology Club.
- Discover tutoring resources such as the University Writing Center and the Math Resource Center for Students.
- Register at the Career Center and obtain on-campus employment.
- Discover professional opportunities at the UTEP Career Expo.

SOPHOMORE

- Take GEOL 2309, 3312/3112, MATH 1312, and a core course in the Fall semester.
- Take GEOL 3215/3115 in the Spring semester.
- Take an elective GEOL course, core courses, or a lower division elective in the Spring semester. You can also take PHYS 2420 this semester.

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- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in mid-October for Spring advising.
- Consider a maximum of 12 credits if you are working 20 hours a week, 9 credits if you are working 30 hours, and 6 credits if you are working 40 hours.

- Discover engagement opportunities with the Society of Economic Geologists, the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, the Center for Entrepreneurial Geosciences, and The E Paso Geological Society.
- Investigate internships that allow you to research away or abroad.
- Participate in Earth Science Day in October.
- Attend the Student Research Colloquium in March.

- Apply for membership in Sigma Gamma Epsilon/The Geology Club.
- Discover professional opportunities at the UTEP Career Expo.
- Cultivate healthy lifestyle habits by visiting the Student Recreation Center.
- Visit the University Career Center and begin developing your resume.

JUNIOR

- Take GEOL 3323/3123 and 3326/3126 in the Fall semester to prepare for GEOL 4375, a Wintermester Field Methods course.
- Take core courses, elective GEOL courses, other electives, and PHYS 2421 (if you've taken PHYS 2420) in the Spring semester.
- Take GEOL 4376, Field Geology 2, during Maymester.

- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in April or late March for Fall advising.
- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in mid-October for Spring advising.

- Present at a conference for an organization such as the Geological Society of America.
- Find a professor that you enjoy and approach them about volunteering in their lab.
- Learn about geological research through the Graduate Seminar Series, held Mondays at 1:30 in Geology Room 123.

- Research and prepare for necessary graduate exams. Begin preparing in the Spring semester and take necessary exams in the summer.
- Strive for high grades to qualify for the MS Geology and MBA Fast Track Programs.
- Discover professional opportunities at the UTEP Career Expo.

SENIOR

- Take electives and complete remaining requirements.

- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in April or late March for Fall advising.
- Ask about the MS Geology and MBA Fast Track Programs.
- Visit your Undergraduate Geology Advisor in mid-October for Spring advising.
- Clear for graduation after you register for the Spring semester.

- Cultivate a leadership role with your student organization.
- Engage with your community through volunteer events sponsored by the Association of Women in Geosciences.
- Continue to engage with department events such as Earth Science Day and the Student Research Colloquium.

- Complete applications by February 1st/ November 1st if pursuing graduate school.
- Investigate licensure as a Professional Geologist with AIPG and the state of Texas.
- Discover professional opportunities at the UTEP Career Expo.

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EDGE ADVANTAGES | UTEP students will graduate with these skills:

- Leadership
- Problem-solving
- Communication
- Entrepreneurship
- Social Responsibility
- Confidence
- Global Awareness
- Teamwork
- Critical Thinking



The top 10 skills employers seek:

- Ability to verbally communicate with persons inside and outside the organization
- Ability to work in a team structure
- Ability to make decisions and solve problems
- Ability to plan, organize and prioritize work
- Ability to obtain and process information
- Ability to analyze quantitative data
- Technical knowledge related to the job
- Proficiency with computer software programs
- Ability to create and/or edit written reports
- Ability to sell or influence others

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Checklist for success

- Create a Job Mine account.
- Check in with your advisor.
- Review your degree plan to stay on track. (degreeplans.utep.edu)
- Attend a financial literacy workshop.
- Visit the Student Engagement & Leadership Center (SELC). (sa.utep.edu/selc)

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- View information about your degree major with this **free**, on-line tool.
- Get real data about employment earnings based on more than 210,000 UTEP and other UT institution graduates working in Texas.
- Explore graduate school data, too.

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