

#### Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year 2017/18

Faculty / School 100 - Facultad de Ciencias

**Degree** 296 - Degree in Geology

**ECTS** 6.5 **Year** 

Semester Second semester

Subject Type Compulsory

Module ---

- 1.General information
- 1.1.Introduction
- 1.2. Recommendations to take this course
- 1.3. Context and importance of this course in the degree
- 1.4. Activities and key dates
- 2.Learning goals
- 2.1.Learning goals
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- 3. Aims of the course and competences
- 3.1. Aims of the course
- 3.2.Competences
- 4.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)
- 4.1. Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)
- 5.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources
- 5.1.Methodological overview

Geological risk refers to the damage caused by geological processes on the human environment, including casualties, injuries and economic losses. The main objective of the geological risk analyses is to provide adequate knowledge and tools for the efficient and cost-effective prevention and/or reduction of the potential social and economic losses. In the current scenario, in which detrimental effects related to natural disasters are rapidly increasing, geologists are key actors in the design and implementation of mitigation policies. The subject has an outstanding importance in the professional activity of applied geologists and their societal service.



The aim of this subject is to gain theoretical and methodological basis to develop basic geological risk analyses: (1) Identify and map geological evidence of hazardous geological processes. (2) Predict their spatial-temporal distribution. (3) Construct magnitude and frequency relationships. (4) Select adequate mitigation measures.

The learning program, which includes theoretical lectures, seminars, practical sessions, field trips and presentations given by the students, has been designed to achieve the following goals:

- Acquisition of sufficient theoretical and practical background to develop basic hazard and risk analyses.
- Ability to obtain information on hazardous geological processes from the field, remote-sensed images and databases.
- Interfacing with key bibliographic resources.
- Practising the oral and written presentation of working hypotheses, data and interpretations.

## 5.2.Learning tasks

The program includes the following learning activities:

- Theoretical lectures
- Talks given by the lecturer in English
- Presentations on theoretical topics by the students
- Lab practical sessions
- Field trips (4 days)

#### 5.3.Syllabus

- Introduction to the geological hazards
- Seismic hazard
- Volcanic hazard
- Landslide hazard
- Avalanche hazard
- Flooding hazard



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- Soil erosion
- Expansive clays
- Hazards related to coastal activity
- Eolian hazards

### 5.4. Course planning and calendar

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The program includes theoretical lectures (30 hours), seminars (10 hours), five lab practical sessions (2 hours each), and field trips (4 journeys).

The dates, time table and venue will follow the schedule designed and announced by the Department of Earth Sciences and the Faculty of Science.

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