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**COURSE:** Geological Mapping module 2

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**ACADEMIC YEAR:** 2016-2017

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**TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY:** Characterizing

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**TEACHER:** Giacomo Prosser

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Language: Italian

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ECTS: <b>6</b> (lessons n.2; tutorials/practice n. 4)	n. of hours: <b>64</b> (lessons n. 16; tutorials/practice n. 48)	Campus: <b>Potenza</b> Dept: <b>Department of Sciences</b> Program: <b>Master in Geosciences and Georesources</b>	Semester: <b>second</b>
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**EDUCATIONAL GOALS AND EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The course aims at providing the basic information on the interpretation of geological structures based in field and map data. In more detail, the main goals of the course are:

- 1) To introduce the main methods used for the 3D reconstruction of the geological structures (folds and faults), on the basis of geological maps, using the structure contour method.
- 2) To describe the projection methods for attitude data for the interpolation methods used for construction fold profiles, to obtain geological cross-sections;
- 3) To have knowledge on the geological setting of the southern Apennines.

The main abilities acquired at the end of the course will be:

- 1) Practicing the use of the geological compass for the field measurement of linear and planar structures (fold axes, fault planes and related slickenside striations, joints and cleavage surfaces).
- 2) Practicing the field mapping of structurally complex areas.
- 3) Using information from geological maps to construct structural cross-sections.
- 4) Obtaining 3D information from geological maps to interpret the structural setting of the rock bodies, with particular emphasis on reconstruction of fold geometry and fault displacement.
- 5) Describing, classifying, correlating and representing geological data (i.e., outcrops, lithologies, attitude of bedding planes, stratigraphic boundaries, etc.) on topographic maps.

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**PRE-REQUIREMENTS**

Physical Geography, Geology I (general geology, stratigraphy, lithological description), Geology II (tectonics and structural geology)

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**SYLLABUS**

- 1) Dip and thickness calculations from geological maps;
  - 2) Analysis of fold geometry;
  - 3) Analysis of attitude and displacement of faults; relationships between faults and folds;
  - 4) Construction of geological cross-sections in structurally complex areas;
  - 5) Introduction to the geology of Southern Apennines;
  - 6) Field exercise: construction of a geological map in a small area of the southern Apennines characterized by the presence of overthrusts, faults and folds (four days).
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**TEACHING METHODS**

The course will include lectures, numerical and graphical exercises (attitude calculations; thickness of a formation and related uncertainties; geometrical analysis of tectonic and stratigraphic contacts; construction of geological cross-sections) and mapping exercises carried out in the field. In more detail, field exercises will include four one-day excursions in a selected area of the southern Apennines, in order to perform geological mapping in structurally complex areas and to carry out observations on different types of tectonic structures.

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**EVALUATION METHODS**

A mid-term written examination on the construction of geological cross-sections, starting from 1:10.000 and 1:25.000 geological maps, will be held during the second half of the course. The final exam will be integrated with Geological Mapping module 1. It will focus on theoretical and practical aspects of the geological mapping and on the discussion of the geological maps and the scientific reports produced during the field exercises.

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**TEXTBOOKS AND ON-LINE EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL**

- Rilevamento Geologico di Giorgio Cremonini - Pitagora Editrice, Bologna.
- Mc Clay K. The mapping of geological structures. Geological Society of London handbook
- Powell D. Interpretation of geological structures through maps. Longman.
- Rowland S.M. & Duebenendorfer E.M. Structural analysis and syntesis. Blackwell Scientific Publications.

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**INTERACTION WITH STUDENTS**

The teacher may answer to questions on the course and provide teaching material in the following days:

	<i>from</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>Where:</i>
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>15:30</i>	<i>17:30</i>	<i>Cartography laboratory or Giacomo Prosser's room</i>
<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>9:30</i>	<i>11:30</i>	<i>Cartography laboratory or Giacomo Prosser's room</i>
<i>WEDNESDAY</i>			
<i>THURSDAY</i>			
<i>FRIDAY</i>			

Students may ask for further appointments by phone and/or e-mail

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**EXAMINATION SESSIONS (FORECAST)<sup>1</sup>**

19/01/2017; 16/02/2017; 16/03/2017; 13/04/2017; 11/05/2017; 22/06/2017; 20/07/2017; 14/09/2017; 12/10/2017; 16/11/2017; 21/12/2017.

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**SEMINARS BY EXTERNAL EXPERTS** YES  NO 

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**FURTHER INFORMATION**

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<sup>1</sup> Subject to possible changes: check the web site of the Teacher or the Department/School for updates.