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Course Guidelines for Online Students in ESC100F: Physical Geology  

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All work done for this course is to be done by each individual student in the course. Interacting with other persons is encouraged in order to aid in the learning process. However, assignments, discussion boards, quizzes, and exams must be completed as an individual effort.

Since this course is a computer based course with a plethora of electronic recourses at your finger tips one danger that students can easily fall into is **PLAGERISM.** **At no time** is using someone else’s work for your own acceptable in this course. In addition, no direct quotes will be accepted as an answer in this course. Students will follow the policies and procedures of Fullerton College. Most of these policies and procedures can be found in the most current Fullerton College Catalog.

9a. Participation Assignments [Discussion Board (DB)]

One way that college prepares students for the working world is to enhance their ability to work with and communicate with others. Such interactions are vitally important in a virtual classroom as they help create a sense of community that can provide academic and even moral support to students who may otherwise feel rather isolated behind a desk and computer. Getting to know your fellow students and reaching out to help each other can be one of the most rewarding experiences of an online course.

To promote this outcome, you will be asked to complete **FOUR (4) DISCUSSION BOARD ASSIGNMENTS** as part of the course requirements. Discussion Board assignments are meant as participation assignments that are completed on the discussion board, which can be found on our WEBCT course site. The Discussion Board assignment can cover a wide range of topics related to Physical Geology that may include evaluating articles, reviewing movies, and/or relating geology to your own life.

The due dates and topics for Participation Assignments are shown on the Course Syllabus and on the Discussion Board Page.

9b. Student Assignments (SA) [(or Homework)]

As important as the virtual community is to an online course, individual achievement is also critical in the working world. These assignments are designed to enhance your knowledge of physical geology topics and help
develop skills that will make you a better thinker. You will exercise skills related to critical thinking, time-on-task, business writing, and research.

The course has **FOUR (4) STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS (SA)** that are to be submitted using the following methods:

CE6 Assignment Tool *(popup blockers can be an issue so be sure to try the “Ctrl” button at the same time you click the submission button)*

United States Postal Service *(must be post marked prior to the date the assignment is due)*

Mailing Address:

Mr. Marc Willis  
Fullerton College  
Division of Natural Sciences  
321 E. Chapman Ave.  
Fullerton, CA 92832

Delivered to me (or my campus mailbox) on campus in person.

SA’s are similar to the homework assignments that would normally be assigned in a campus-based course. A specific description of the assignment will be provided at the time when the assignment is first available along with the due date. These assignments may require the use of word processing programs, searches of the Internet, and spread sheet program to complete. You will need to learn to submit these documents as part of the assignment.

**All SAs are to be type written. No hand written assignments will be accepted unless specifically provided for in the individual assignment.**

Assignments submitted online need to be in one of the following formats: pdf, Word, jpg, or embedded in the submittal comments.