Texas A&M University

Marketable Skills

Program:	Geophysics
Degree:	BS
Department:	Geology and Geophysics
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Outcome	Master the depth of knowledge required for a degree
Marketable	Recognize the variability and interdependence of the Earth's systems through
Skills	time and space
	 Participate in geophysical surveys, prospecting field trips, exploratory drilling, or well logging programs
	 Compile information and data for geophysical prospecting
	 Test and analyze samples to determine their content and characteristics, using
	laboratory apparatus or testing equipment

Outcome	Demonstrate critical thinking
Marketable Skills	 Apply the scientific method to accurately analyze data and frame testable predictions.
	 Analyze and interpret geophysical data to draw inferences about the subsurface.
	 Describe the uncertainty in a complex system and its effect on predictions of system behavior
	 Incorporate geological and geophysical data to develop mathematical models of earth systems
	 Infer the state and evolution of the global Earth system from fundamental physical and chemical processes

Outcome	Communicate effectively
Marketable	 Lead, train, or supervise technicians or related staff in the conduct of
Skills	geophysical prospecting.
	 Comprehensively express a scientific idea in written or oral form, supporting
	conclusions with data analyses and visualizations.
	 Develop an overall understanding of a problem from the scientific literature
	and apply it to a new problem.

Outcome	Practice personal and social responsibility
Marketable	 Articulate the ethical responsibilities of a geologic professional and act as an
Skills	ethical example for others.
	 Know and apply the accepted practices for accurate and truthful reporting of
	results and citation of previous work

Outcome	Demonstrate social, cultural, and global competencies	
Marketable	Propose or critique scientific merit of proposals for natural resource use and	
Skills	mitigation/prediction of natural hazards	

Outcome	Prepare to engage in life-long learning
Marketable Skills	 Use the geologic literature, professional organizations and conferences and professional contacts to stay up-to-date in developments in thinking and
Skiiis	technology.
	 Leverage previously learned knowledge and skills in an innovative way to solve new problems

Outcome	Work collaboratively
Marketable	 Work as a member and a leader of teams of varying expertise to solve
Skills	challenging multidisciplinary geological problems
	 Assess the strengths of team members to optimize team efficiency
	 Provide technical expertise in characterizing the subsurface to clients or users.