

Supported self study course, commencing September 2020 for 10-weeks

KEY INFORMATION

COURSE TITLE:	World Geological Adventures
LEVEL:	The course is designed for anyone interested in learning about aspects of the geology of places beyond these shores
DATES:	The course begins during the week commencing September 21st.
DELIVERY:	Course participants can access the materials in print form, or by Moodle and Email. Printed papers cost £20.00 extra. Everyone is invited to a weekly live Zoom meeting (day/time later)
COURSE TUTOR:	Colin Schofield supported by Chris Darmon
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WELCOME TO THE LEARNING ZONE

We welcome everyone to our **Down to Earth learning zone**, whether this is your first time, or you are a regular! You'll be joining a community of learners across the UK who will come together on a weekly basis in Autumn and Winter to discover more about our fascinating subject. We provide a relaxed learning environment in which we can all learn both from the tutor and each other. We'll be providing weekly materials that will lead you to find out more, doing your own bit of research on the internet, or even searching your own memory and sharing what you find with others. You are also invited to a weekly live Zoom meeting (timings of which will be announced later.)

The tutor is a geologist with extensive field experience in the UK and abroad over a 20-year career. For the past nine years he has had experience of delivering distance learning courses to students around the country. He has been the course manager, on this course when we first ran it in 2019 and has much experience in supporting distance learners on these courses.

To protect our materials, we must ask you to agree not to share them with anyone not enrolled on the course by any means, including email. This is a condition of you enrolling on this course.

INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE

For the first time in our distance learning courses, we leave the shores of the British Isles and head off in search of interesting geology around the world. In some cases we aren't far away, in the Channel Isles for instance, but in others we're far way be it in China, the South Atlantic or New Zealand. Everywhere has a fascinating geological story to tell and this course aims to bring those stories to you.

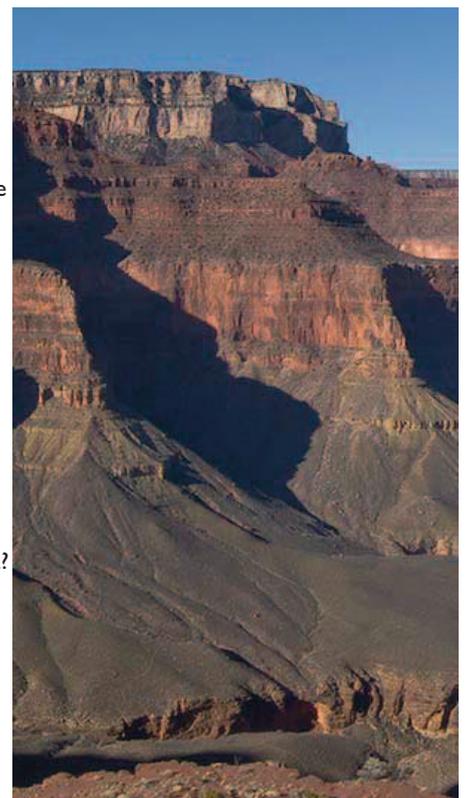
That said, we always give you the opportunity to unearth more about each of our chosen locations. You'll find that there's lots on the internet and occasionally we'll be able to point you in the direction of a good book. We encourage you to treat our materials as the beginning of your exploration of the geology.

As with all of our courses we encourage you to join in with your fellow learners via the free to use Moodle platform. Colin will ensure that you have the necessary password to get onto Moodle. Once there, you'll be able to share with others and access videos and other material that Colin uploads.

COURSE CONTENT

What follows is the list of topics to be covered, in this the first part of a course that will be continued at some time in the future.

- **Iceland, land of ice & fire** - a land mass in the middle of Atlantic Ocean, how has it formed and why is it there?
- **The Channel Islands** - they are on our doorstep, but they belong to France geologically
- **Fabulous fossils from China** - why are so many amazing fossils being found in southern China?
- **The Himalayas** - the geology of the world's highest mountains
- **The Canary Islands** - a story of seamounts, volcanoes and massive landslides
- **Cyprus** - ocean floor in the Troodos Mountains



- **The Rockies** - Canada's famous mountain range & fossil heaven
- **New Zealand** - one of the most active regions of the world
- **The Grand Canyon** - mile down geology on a massive scale
- **Montserrat & the Caribbean** - volcanic geology like Charnwood Forest

Everyone enrolling will receive a course timetable before the course begins.

PRACTICAL POINTS

- To do this course electronically you'll need a computer or tablet with access to the internet. You'll also need a valid email address - please supply it at the time of enrolment. Units will be sent as pdf files. A broadband connection would be very helpful, but is not essential.
- To access Moodle, Colin will give you some simple instructions and a password.
- If you want to take part in our live Zoom presentations, you'll need to fit a camera and microphone to your computer. These can be purchased at very reasonable prices online and are easy to fit and use.

You will be informed about the timings of Zoom meetings nearer to the commencement of the course.

THE COST

The cost of this course is £40.00 per person if you are having the materials by Email or Moodle or £60.00 if you want the materials in printed form. If you choose to have the materials printed, you can still access Moodle and join our Zoom meetings as well. (If two of you want to study together, you can do so for an additional £20.00 payment.)

ENROLLING

To enrol on this course you can do so via our website:-

www.geosupplies.co.uk
or you can ring us on 0114 2455746

You can also send a cheque to the following address
 (made payable to "Geo Supplies Ltd"):-

Geo Supplies Ltd., 49 Station Road, Chapeltown,
Sheffield, S35 2XE

LOOKING FOR HELP?

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the tutor, Colin Schofield by email:-

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