

The purpose of this assignment is to investigate and report on the geology of your assigned location.

Due Date: Thursday, February 28, 2013

Two copies of the report must be submitted:

A hard copy handed in at the start of class and an electronic version submitted on *Desire2Learn*.

The following is a list of items that you must address in your write-up.

Any other interesting facts learned during your research are appreciated.

- Landscape Description (e.g., mountains, flood plains, cliffs, etc.)
- Geologic Setting aka "How/Why Formed" (e.g., hot spots, marine basins, glaciers, tectonics)
- Types of Rocks & Ages (e.g., sedimentary – shales – "Devonian" or 350 million years ago)
- Relationship of Geology To Society/Economy/Tourism/Environmental Concerns (e.g., fertile soils)

This project should be done on your own, and reflect your own work. Thoughtfully investigate your subject and report on your findings in your OWN words. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. All write-ups will be checked for inappropriate copying from other works. You may utilize the plagiarism check feature in *Desire2Learn* to check your own report before submitting it in final form. Zeros will be given as per the syllabus and penalties reported consistent with GSU policies if any sort of plagiarism is found.

Below are formatting instructions for your report and information on how you'll be graded on this work.

- Typed, Font (Calibri), Size (11)
- Spacing 1.5 Lines, 1" Margins
- No title page is needed.
- No less or more than 3 FULL pages of text.
- Headers should be single-spaced and not use up more than several lines on the first page.
- 1 Figure (e.g., map, graph, photo) and 1 Table (e.g., numbers, text) should be on the 4<sup>th</sup> page.
- Refer to these in the write-up. List your sources of information beneath each on the 4<sup>th</sup> page.
- Figures/Tables may be directly copied from sources if given credit or you may create your own.

Sources do not need to be cited in text, but all used in your report must be on the references page.

That being said, direct phrasing copied from a source must be in quotes with the source cited in the text.

Your reference list should be added as the 5<sup>th</sup> and final page of your write-up.

Website sources are permitted and use of additional sources is encouraged.

Five sources (at least) must be used. Eight (or more) is preferred.

There is no specific format required for the bibliography.

The assignment is worth 5% of your final grade (homework portion of syllabus). You'll be graded on:

- 1) Following Instructions
- 2) Quality of Content
- 3) Writing, Spelling, Grammar
- 4) Organization of Information
- 5) Adhering to Format Guidelines
- 6) List of Sources

Late assignments will be accepted with a penalty that increases for each day late (5 points off per day).

No work will be accepted beyond 5 days after the due date. If you have further questions, let me know!