

MOOCs3 (Massive Open Online Course 3) Report of 2019
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Course Name: Introduction to Geochemistry
Course Start Date: Jan. 30, 2020 9:00 UTC
Course End Date: Mar. 19, 2020 23:30 UTC

Total Enrollment: 618

Completed Enrollment: 11

Verified Enrollment: 13 (fee'd)

Verified Completed Enrollment: 11

(Due to change of the edX policy only the fee'd enrolled can respond to the subjects. Hence the number of the Verified Completed Enrollment has decreased)

Enrollment from 90 Countries/Regions in Total

---Top10 Countries---

USA	163
India	41
UK	40
Canada	37
Japan	36
Brazil	32
Indonesia	32
Columbia	19
France	18
Australia	17

Age Group

< 25	31.0 %
25-40	48.7 %
41 <	20.3 %

Syllabus

Week 1: The Formation and Distribution of Elements in Space

Nucleosynthesis I

Nucleosynthesis II

The elements today: chondrites

Week 2: Mineralogy: Just a "Rock" ?

Silicate minerals

Igneous rocks

Metamorphic rocks

Week 3: Distribution of elements on Earth: Igneous processes

What's a trace element ?

Magma and melting

Melting and crystallization

Week 4: Where the fun begins: Radiogenic isotope geochemistry

Dating methods

Tracing methods

Week 5: Stable Isotope Chemistry I (Basics)

Equilibrium fractionation processes, geothermometry

Kinetic fractionation processes, precipitation

Biological processes

Week 6: Stable Isotopes II (Paleoclimatology)

Milankovitch cycles

Paleoclimatology and CO₂ levels

Week 7: Geochemistry and Our Future

Helium as a resource

Terraforming and CO₂