

**Department:** GEOL

**Course No.:** 297W

**Title:** Undergraduate Research Thesis in Geology and Geophysics

**Credits:** 3

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**WQ:** W

**Catalog Copy:** GEOL 297W. Undergraduate Research Thesis in Geology and Geophysics. Either semester. Three credits. Hours by arrangement. Prerequisite: GEOL 296. Open only with consent of instructor.

Writing of a formal thesis based on independent research conducted by the student.

**W Criteria:** The prerequisite for GEOL 297W is GEOL 296 Undergraduate Research in Geology and Geophysics. In GEOL 296, students complete the research component of their senior thesis. In GEOL 297W, students write up their research into a thesis. The course is writing intensive with one-to-one instruction, involves multiple drafts, and results in the production of a thesis with a minimum length, excluding figures and references, of fifteen pages.