

EAS4803 Chemical Oceanography

Instructor: Takamitsu Ito

3 Credits: 3 lecture hours per week

Course description: Fundamental principles of chemical oceanography for advanced undergraduate and graduate students interested in marine sciences.

Evaluation: [50%] homework; [30%] exams (15% midterm, 15% final) [20%] Term Project.

Grading: I encourage cooperation including sharing of knowledge & computer codes, and collaboration among the students. The write-ups and reports must be entirely your own work (i.e. copying another student's work in parts or whole is not permitted). Your final grade will be assigned as a letter grade according to the following scale:

A:90-100% B:80-89% C:70-79% D:60-69%

Reference text: Chemical Oceanography, elemental fluxes in the sea by S. R. Emerson and R. C. Hamme, 2022, Cambridge University Press.

Schedule:

| Week | Lecture topic | |
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| Week 1: | Oceanography background | |
| Week 2/3: | Geochemical Mass Balance | |
| Week 4/5: | Biological Production and Export | |
| Week 6/7: | Biological Respiration | Midterm (up to week 7 material) |
| Week 8/9: | Marine Carbonate Chemistry | |
| Week 10: | Stable Isotope Tracers | |
| Week 11: | Radioisotope Tracers | |
| Week 12-14: | Global Carbon Cycle | |
| Week 15: | Term Project Presentations | Final Exam (cumulative) |