

**MGS 710, Spring 2024**  
**Subduction Zone Geodynamics**  
N373, North Grosvenor, RSMAES

Timetable:

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| Week 1 | 16 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | <b>Subduction overview:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Class Introduction</li> <li>2) Lecture (geophysical observations)</li> </ol> <i>Review papers: King (2001); Stern (2002); Billen (2008); Becker and Faccenna (2009); Gerya (2011; 2022).</i>   |
| Week 2 | 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | <b>Subduction kinematics and slab dip:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) Tao leads discussion on Hu and Gurnis (2020)</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Jarrard (1986); Hager and O'Connell (1978); Heuret and Lallemand (2005); Heuret et al. (2007); Lallemand et al. (2005); Faccenna et al. (2007); Heuret et al. (2011); Goes et al. (2017); Holt and Royden (2020).</i>  |
| Week 3 | 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb | <b>Asthenosphere and slab rheology:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) Valeria leads discussion on Bessat et al. (2020)</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Billen and Hirth (2005, 2007); Hager (1984); Čížková et al. (2002); Hirth &amp; Kohlstedt (2003); Jadamec and Billen (2010; 2012); Tetzlaff &amp; Schmeling (2009); Androvičová et al. (2013); Garel et al. (2014); Agrusta et al. (2014; 2017); Bello et al. (2015); Holt and Becker (2017); Goes et al. (2017); Carluccio et al., (2019).</i>                                   |
| Week 4 | 6 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb      | <b>Slab bending:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) Zonglin leads discussion on Schellart (2009) <u>and</u> ensuing back-and-forth comments.</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Becker et al. (1999); Conrad and Hager (1999); Bellahsen et al. (2005); Buffett (2006); Buffett and Rowley (2006); Wu et al. (2008); Capitanio et al. (2009); Ribe (2010); Rose and Korenaga (2011); Buffett and Becker (2012); Fourel et al. (2014); Farrington et al. (2014); Petersen et al., (2017); Gerardi et al. (2019); Sandiford et al. (2020).</i> |
| Week 5 | 13 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb    | <b>Subduction-induced mantle flow</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) Reid leads discussion on Tovish et al. (1978) <u>and</u> Piromallo et al. (2006)</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: McKenzie (1969); Stevenson and Turner (1977); Garfunkel et al. (1986); Dvorkin et al. (1993); Funicello et al. (2003b; 2004; 2006); Kincaid and Griffiths (2003); Faccenna et al. (2013; 2017); Kiraly et al. (2017); Holt et al. (2017).</i>   |
| Week 6 | 20 <sup>th</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb    | <b>Force balance approach for subduction dynamics</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Adam leads discussion on Royden and Husson (2006).</li> <li>2) Class project discussion and planning</li> </ol>  |

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|         |  | <i>Additional Reading: Billen (2008); Royden and Husson (2009); Crowley and O'Connell (2011); Royden and Holt (2020)</i>   |
| Week 7  | 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb & 1 <sup>st</sup> March | <b>Trench motions and 3-D subduction modeling</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Class project session</li> <li>2) <i>Someone</i> leads discussion on Stegman et al. (2006) <i>and</i> Schellart et al. (2007).</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Kincaid and Olson (1987); Christensen (1996); Funiciello et al. (2003a; 2003b); Enns et al. (2005); Bellahsen et al. (2005); Faccenna et al. (2007; 2009; 2018); Nagel et al. (2008); Di Giuseppe et al., (2008); Schellart (2008); Stegman et al. (2010); Ribe (2010); Cizkova and Bina (2013; 2015); Holt et al. (2015a); Yang et al. (2017).</i>   |
| Week 8  | 5 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> March      | <b>Planetary subduction (Venus):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Class project session</li> <li>2) <b>Reid</b> leads discussion on Davaille et al. (2017).</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Sandwell &amp; Schubert (1992); Fowler &amp; O'Brien (1996); Solomatov &amp; Moresi (1996); Smrekar &amp; Stofan (1997); Moresi &amp; Solomatov (1998); Reese et al. (1999); Ueda et al. (2008); Gulcher et al. (2020; 2023); Adams et al. (2022); Chen et al. (2022); Rolf et al. (2022); Smrekar et al. (2022); Maia et al. (2023).</i>   |
| Week 9  | 11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> March    | <b>SPRING RECESS</b>   |
| Week 10 | 19 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> March    | <b>Subduction interface and slab-overriding plate interactions</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) <i>Someone</i> leads discussion on Beall et al. (2021).</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Capitanio et al. (2010; 2011); Holt et al. (2015b); Sharples et al. (2014); Yamato et al. (2009); Butterworth et al. (2012); Clark et al. (2008); Wallace et al. (2009); Schellart &amp; Moresi (2013); van Dinther et al. (2013a, 2013b); Behr and Becker (2018); Cerpa et al. (2018); Guillaume et al. (2018); Brizzi et al. (2020; 2021); Sandiford et al. (2021); Behr et al. (2022).</i>   |
| Week 11 | 26 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> March    | <b>Rock exhumation at subduction zones:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) <b>Valeria</b> leads discussion on Vaughan-Hammon et al. (2022)</li> </ol> <i>Additional Reading: Chemanda et al. (1995; 1996; 2001); Burov et al. (2001); Gerya et al. (2002); Boutelier et al. (2004); Stockhert &amp; Gerya (2005); Brun and Faccenna (2008); Warren et al. (2008a; 2008b); Yamato et al. (2008); Husson et al. (2009); Beaumont et al. (2009); Bialas et al. (2011); Ruh et al. (2015); McCarthy et al. (2020); Kerswell et al. (2023).</i><br><i>Some Geology Reviews: Guillot et al. (2009); Warren (2013); Platt (1993); Brown and Johnson (2019); Agard et al. (2018; 2023);</i> |
| Week 12 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> April      | <b>Subduction-induced topography</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture (Goldberg)</li> <li>2) <b>Tao</b> leads discussion on Crameri et al. (2017).</li> </ol>   |

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|         |   | <p><i>Additional Reading: Melosh and Raefsky (1980); Mitrovica et al. (1989; 1996); Zhong and Gurnis (1992; 1994); Gurnis (1993); Buiter et al. (2001); Gurnis et al. (1996); Husson (2006); Husson et al. (2012); Heine et al. (2008); DiCaprio et al. (2009); Eakin et al. (2014); Gerault et al. (2015); Flament et al. (2015); Rubey et al. (2017); Sarr et al. (2019); Briaud et al. (2020); Faccenna and Becker (2020) , Balazs et al. (2022); Holt (2022); Xue et al. (2022); Deng et al. (2024).</i></p> <p><i>Reviews: Braun (2010); Flament et al. (2013); Hoggard et al. (2021); Davies et al. (2022)</i></p> |
| Week 13 | 9 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> April  | <p><b>Global subduction dynamics</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture</li> <li>2) Class project session</li> </ol> <p><i>Additional Reading: Alisic et al. (2010; 2012); Stadler et al. (2010); Morra et al. (2009; 2010; 2012); Husson (2012); Quevedo et al. (2013); Ficini et al. (2017); Chertova et al. (2018); Holt and Royden (2020), Chamolly and Ribe (2021); Hu et al. (2022); Holt (2022); Chen et al. (2022a, 2022b); Goldberg and Holt (2024).</i></p>   |
| Week 14 | 16 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> April | <p><b>Subduction initiation</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Lecture (Shuck)</li> <li>2) Zonglin leads discussion on Lallemand &amp; Arcay (2021).</li> </ol> <p><i>Additional Reading: Toth &amp; Gurnis (1998); Faccenna et al. (1999); Hall et al. (2003); Stern (2004); Stern &amp; Gerya (2017); Gurnis et al. (2004; 2019); Leng &amp; Gurnis (2011; 2015); Baes et al. (2016); Crameri &amp; Tackley (2016); Crameri et al. (2020); Maunder et al. (2020); Lallemand &amp; Arcay (2021); Zhou &amp; Wada (2021; 2022); Shuck et al. (2022); Li &amp; Gurnis (2023).</i></p>                      |
| Week 15 | 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> April | <b>Wrap-up &amp; Class presentations</b>   |

Additional topics: We cannot of course cover the entirety of subduction zone geodynamics within one semester and so I have tried to strike a balance between: i) fundamental subduction geodynamics topics; ii) topics relevant to work within the research group. Notable absences include subduction zone thermal structure, volcanism, slab-deep mantle interactions, flexural/isostatic topography, seismicity (e.g., shallow vs. intermediate depth vs. deep slab earthquakes), megathrust earthquakes and slip, and many, many other types of observations (e.g., the modeling of shear wave anisotropy/splitting).

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