## Geological Sciences, BS

## **BS Geological Sciences Program Learning Outcomes**

At the successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- 1. Apply the scientific method to test hypotheses and interpretations.
- 2. Apply the concepts of both stratigraphic (relative) and radiometric geologic dating to interpret physical and biological events in Earth history visà-vis geologic processes, biological evolution, and/or natural and anthropogenic landscape and climate change.
- 3. Analyze the record of Earth surface processes from geologic and geographic landforms and assess geologic hazards.
- 4. Identify economically important Earth materials, predict their locations based on geologic data, and discuss their role in society and the global economy.
- 5. Analyze the important and diverse effects of plate tectonics and related physical and chemical processes in shaping Earth structure, history, resources, and hazards.