



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Applied Marine Geology

2122-2-F7502Q040

Aims

To provide advanced knowledge on technological solutions for collecting high-resolution terrestrial and marine geo-spatial dataset for geo-environmental studies in coastal and marine regions

Contents

The course will provide basic knowledge on methods and techniques adopted to perform assessment of marine geohazard and on the recent progress in 3D geological mapping and computer vision that allows a seamless combination of terrestrial and marine geo-spatial dataset in coastal regions

Detailed program

Frontal lessons

An introduction to marine geological studies applied to assessing the feasibility of major offshore and coastal activities exploiting resources in the marine environment.

Geohazard assessment for offshore development. Marine geohazard along the Italian coasts: the experience from MAGIC project.

Integrating marine and terrestrial geospatial dataset: "why" and "how" as well as some case studies from tectonically and climatically sensitive coastal areas of the Mediterranean region.

Tutorial

Tutorials activities will allow the students to learn how to manage and process data collected using optical and acoustic remote sensing platforms in marine and coastal regions from different geomorphological contexts. The students will learn how to retrieve free satellite data from online databases that can be useful to monitor extensive marine environments. These data will be used to produce Satellite-Derived Bathymetry (SDB) in selected coastal areas.

Marine nearshore environments will be reconstructed using images collected with drones and underwater cameras and processed using Structure from Motion (SfM) techniques.

Acoustic remote sensing data, collected with multibeam echosounders and ROV videos, will be used to map and categorize deep marine environments.

Prerequisites

Physics of the Sea; Fundamentals of Marine Physical Geography; International Law of the Sea

Teaching form

2 credits (CFU) of frontal lessons (Prof. A. Savini)

4 credits (CFU) of laboratory and practicals (Dr. Luca Fallati)

Textbook and teaching resource

The Sea Floor: An Introduction to Marine Geology. E. Seibold, W.H. Berger - Springer

Submarine Geomorphology. A. Micallef, S. Krastel, A. Savini . Springer

Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation, 7th Edition Thomas Lillesand, Ralph W. Kiefer, Jonathan Chipman
ISBN: 978-1-118-34328-9 February 2015 736 Pages

Offshore Operation Facilities: Equipment and Procedures. Fang and Duan, 2014. Elsevier

Submarine Power Cables: Design, Installation, Repair and Environmental Aspects. Worzyk, 2009. Springer.

A selection of scientific journal articles and the lesson slides will be provided by the teacher

Semester

First semester

Assessment method

Oral examination plus practical tests during laboratory activities

Office hours

by email reservation
