

# MASTER OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY UNIT

# Geometallurgy

# 16-27 October, 2023

A comprehensive overview of practical geometallurgy: From mineral processing fundamentals to deposit characterisation.





CODES, Centre for Ore Deposit and Earth Sciences, University of Tasmania

CRICOS Provider Code 00586B

Geometallurgy involves a guantified and comprehensive approach to ore characterisation in terms of critical processing attributes such as crushing, grinding, liberation, recovery and environmental management. Key outcomes of increased geometallurgical knowledge are improved forecasting, reduced technical risk, enhanced economic optimisation of mineral production, and improved sustainability.

This unit introduces a range of techniques for 'early-stage' (e.g., exploration, prefeasibility) collection of geological information that is relevant to mining engineers and metallurgists. The program

includes lectures, practical exercises (including a computer-based modelling exercise) and a field trip to western Tasmania.

Registration fees cover the cost of unit notes and the field trip (transport and accommodation). Participants are responsible for air travel to/from Hobart and accommodation in Hobart.

Participants must have access to a computer with Microsoft Excel installed. It is recommended that all participants are familiar with the use of Microsoft Excel. Instruction in the use of other software (e.g. ioGas) will be provided during the course.

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is offered as a unit of the national Minerals Geoscience Masters program.

# MASTER OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY

### THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE MASTERS DEGREE IN MINERAL EXPLORATION AND MINING GEOLOGY ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD

This course work-based Masters program is aimed at geoscientists who want to gain a thorough up-date on advances across the spectrum of economic geology applied to mineral exploration. The Master of Economic Geology at UTAS is part of the national Minerals Geoscience Masters program, jointly offered by the University of Tasmania and the University of Western Australia, in conjunction with Curtin Business School at Curtin University.

#### **Course structure**

The Masters course can be completed in either of two ways:

Option 1 (research pathway): requires the completion of six coursework units (worth 75% of total credit points) and a minor research thesis (worth 25%). Five of the units must be completed at CODES including thesis units KEA724 and KEA725, core units KEA712, KEA716 and at least one field-based unit, while the remainder may be completed at other participating universities. Duration: 18–24 months full-time; up to 36 months part-time (flexible in recognition of industry participants).

*Option 2 (professional pathway)*: requires the completion of eight units of coursework, at least five of which must be undertaken at CODES including core units KEA712, KEA716 and at least one fieldbased unit. Duration: up to 36 months part-time (flexible in recognition of constraints on industry participants).

Participating universities offer up to seven units annually or in rotation over a two-year period. Most units are of two weeks duration.

#### Fees

UTAS tuition fees are approximately \$2,075 per unit (8 in total) for domestic students (2023 rate for Commonwealth Supported Places) and \$9,238 (AUD) per unit for full-fee paying overseas students (FFPOS) (2023 rate). Field-based courses have additional costs. Costs will vary for units taught by other MGM partner institutions.

#### **Entry Requirements**

BSc (Hons), or a BSc (majoring in geoscience) with at least two years industry experience. International students should be aware that English language proficiency requirements also apply.

#### Masters units offered by CODES

- 7 August—15 October 2023 (Intensive Part 2: 18-22 September): April—May 2024: KEA713 Geodata Analytics \*
- 16-27 October 2023:

KEA711 Geometallurgy ^

• 25 October – 11 November 2023:

KEA707 Ores in Magmatic Arcs (South America) ^

• February 2024:

KEA718 Advanced Field Skills in Economic Geology ^

• March 2024:

KEA708 Volcanology and Mineralisation in Volcanic Terrains (New Zealand, western Tasmania) ^

**NB** COVID-19 travel restrictions may impact the running of units with face to face delivery

\* online delivery

# blended delivery (week 1 face to face/online; week 2 online)

^ face to face delivery

KEA716 Fundamentals of Economic Geology \*

- June—July 2024:
  - KEA712 Ore Deposit Models and Exploration Strategies
- August—October 2024: KEA713 Geodata Analytics \*
- October—November 2024: KEA710 Exploration in Brownfield Terrains \*

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**Toni Kojovic** is a highly accomplished and recognized leader in the field of mining and mineral processing. Toni is the managing director of SimSAGe and a comminution consultant with more than 30 years of experience, both as a Senior Researcher with the JKMRC and as Manager of Technical and Applied Research at Teck Cominco's Red Dog Mine in Alaska.

Scott Halley is a highly regarded consultant specialising in applied lithogeochemistry for geochemical exploration and mineral mapping. Scott has consulted to over 100 mining and exploration companies. He is an expert in the application of SWIR and whole-rock geochemical data to understand deposit mineralogy.

Laurence Dyer is a senior lecturer and Discipline Lead - Metallurgical Engineering at Curtin University. His research interests lie in leaching, adsorption and precipitation and he has worked extensively in precious metal, rare earth, nickel and copper extraction as well as iron chemistry. Laurence is currently investigating precious metal tellurides and identifying alternative treatment methods for rare earth minerals.

**David Green** is a geologist and HyLogger specialist from Mineral Resources Tasmania.

Industry case studies will be presented from specially selected geometallurgists and ore body knowledge representatives. Case studies will provide examples of best practice approaches to the industry application of geometallurgical studies to mitigate risk, solve problems and realise opportunity.

#### **INVITED PRESENTERS**

**Bill Staunton** is a former Manager and now Consultant of the Gold Technology Group and Amira P420 Gold Processing Technology Project at the WA School of Mines, Curtin University. Bill has been involved with the gold industry for more than 35 years, covering basic research plant surveys and optimisation, process modelling and training/professional development.

Sefton Darby leads Voconiq's advisory and consultancy function working with clients to improve performance in trust, social impacts and community sentiment. He has previously worked on public policy and natural-resource governance issues for a variety of NGOs, governments, corporations and international organisations.

#### **CODES Presenters:**

Matthew Cracknell Mohammad Fathi Julie Hunt Sebastien Meffre Owen Missen

> CSL (Central Science Laboratory), UTAS Presenters:

Thomas Rodemann Sandrin Feig



# PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

## Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Introduction to geometallurgy — Julie Hunt Participant introductions Sample selection and preparation — Julie Hunt LA-ICPMS Au — Sebastien Meffre Characterisation tools and techniques — Sandrin Feig, Thomas Rodemann, David Green (MRT)

## Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Comminution — Toni Kojovic (SimSAGe) Sustainability and SLO — Sefton Darby (Voconiq)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October Statistics — Toni Kojovic (SimSAGe) Gold processing — Bill Staunton (Curtin)

# Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October

MRT core facility — HyLogger CSL and CODES lab facilities and tools Hydrometallurgy and pyrometallurgy — Laurence Dyer (Curtin)

# Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Mineralogy from geochemistry — Scott Halley (Mineral Mapping) Project introduction — UTAS staff

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October Flotation recovery — Mohammad Fathi

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October — Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October Field trip to western Tasmanian mines and processing plants

# Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Image analysis and data analytics — Matthew Cracknell Environmental geology — Owen Missen

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October Industry case studies (TBC)

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October Geomet industry application** — (TBC) **Student presentations** 



<b>REGISTRATION FORM</b> Geometallurgy 16-27 October, 2023		Please complete and return to: CODES University of Tasmania, Private Bag 79 Hobart, Tasmania, Australia 7001 Ph: +61 3 6226 2472 Email: CODES.Info@utas.edu.au			
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			Title—Please highlight ( Prof / Dr / Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss )		
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Preferred Name:					
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Emergency contact (name and email/phone contact):					
REGISTRATION FEES	PAYMENT				
All fees are in Australia dollars (AUD) and include GST. Fees do not include tuition costs for enrolled students, accommodation in Hobart, or airfares to/from Hobart.	Registrations are due by 8th September, 2023. Full payment must be received by 30th September, 2023.				
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they have secured a place on the course by 10th September, 2023.