

**Course:** GLG 115

**Course Title:** Life of the Past

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Department:** Geography, Geology, & Planning

**Prerequisite:** None

**General Education Area:**

NATURAL WORLD - Life Sciences (*GEC 106 (w/lab) / GEC 107 (no lab)*)

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**Typically Offered During:**

Fall Full Semester:	YES	Fall 1 <sup>st</sup> Block:	NO	Fall 2 <sup>nd</sup> Block:	NO
Spring Full Semester:	YES	Spring 1 <sup>st</sup> Block:	NO	Spring 2 <sup>nd</sup> Block:	NO
Summer:	YES				

**Typical Instructional Modality:**

Traditional (seated):	YES	Blended:	NO	Internet:	YES
Online Video:	NO	Web Conference:	NO		

**May Also Count Toward Department Offering:**

Major:	NO	Minor:	NO	Certificate:	YES
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*Please see online published semester class schedule and undergraduate catalog for detailed course offering information.*

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***How do you describe the course to students when they ask “What is this class about?” (Without using the catalog description)?***

This course examines the history of evolution life on Earth. If you have ever been curious what animals fall on your evolutionary family tree we will cover them...plus dinosaurs!

***Beyond meeting a General Education requirement, what benefits can students realize from choosing this course?***

This course will give students an introduction to science literacy. We will work on evaluating "bad science reporting" and the reality of how to determine the truth of what a scientific study is showing. It also addresses the true history of our species and what exciting events happened in our past.

***Other than your major/minor/certificate students, what groups of students could find this course relevant to their degree program or career path?***

Students will improve their critical thinking skills and gain tools for evaluating arguments for flaws and common logical fallacies.

***Catalog Description (Fall 2022 Undergraduate Catalog)***

Addresses the origin, evolution, and extinction of life forms within the 3.5 billion year history of life on earth. Topics of discussion will include the basic principles of evolution, stratigraphy, and plate tectonics. Optional fossil collecting field trip.