# Have you ever considered being a seismologist?

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**RESEARCH EXPERIENCES IN SOLUCE FAILUR SCHEME FOR STUDENTS** 

## Geophysicists

Measure, examine, model, and explore the physical properties of Earth and other planetary objects, from the depths of the ocean to the tops of volcanoes, from Earth's core to the edges of space and beyond.



## Geophysics specialties

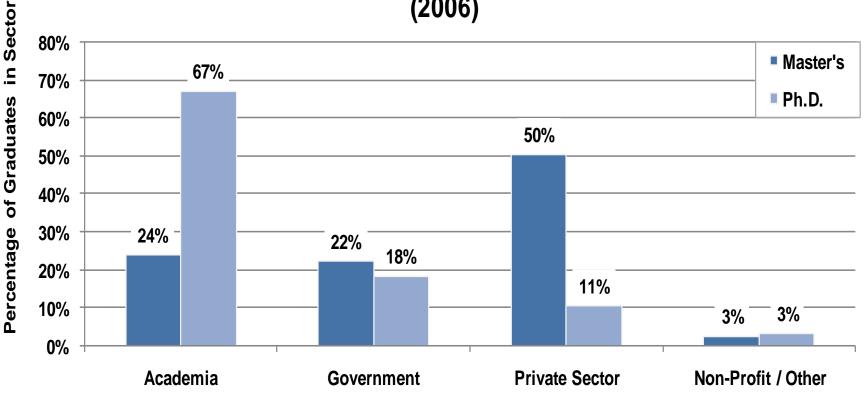
- <u>Seismologist</u> study of earthquakes and the propagation of elastic waves through Earth or through other planet-like bodies.
- <u>Geodesist</u> study earth's shape, gravity field, and rotation
- Marine geophysicist
- Petroleum geophysicist
- Mining geophysicist
- Environmental geophysicist
- Exploration geophysicist

#### Data used....

- Active seismic
- Electrical resistivity
- Electromagnetics
- GPS
- Gravity
- Infrasound
- Magnetics
- Passive seismic

## Well-positioned for a GEOphysics career...

#### Employment Sectors of Recent Geoscience Master's & Ph.D. Graduates (2006)



Source: AGI Geoscience Workforce Program, data derived from AGI/AGU Survey of New Geoscience Ph.D.'s (2006); AGI/AGU Survey of New Geoscience Master's (2006).



# Well-paying career options with or without a PhD

#### Physicist

- \$105,430 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = PhD
- Job outlook = 14% by 2020 (~ average)

Geologist (GEOphysicist)

- \$82,500 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = B.S(M.S)
- Job outlook = 121% by 2020 (faster than average)

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

### **Electrical Engineer**

- \$87,180 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = B.S
- Job outlook = ↑6% by 2020 (slower than average)

### Geologist (GEOphysicist)

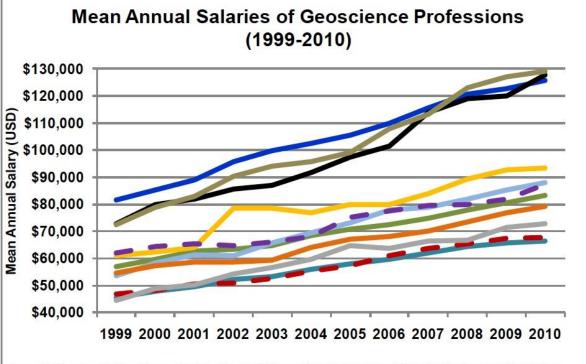
- \$82,500 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = B.S(M.S)
- Job outlook = 121% by 2020 (faster than average)

### Civil Engineer

- \$77,560 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = B.S
- Job outlook = 19%
   (slightly above average)

### Geologist (GEOphysicist)

- \$82,500 (2010 Median)
- Entry degree = B.S(M.S)
- Job outlook = 121% by 2020 (faster than average)



Source: AGI Gesocience Workforce Program, data derived from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates

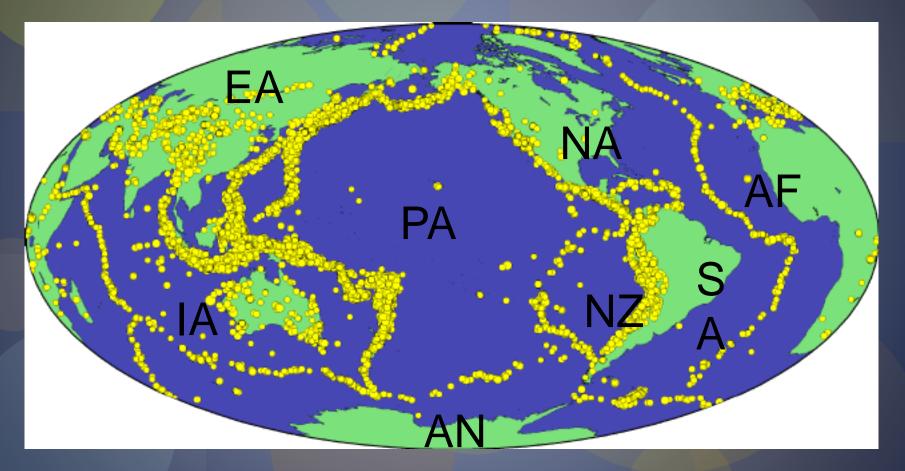
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations

#### **Geoscience-Related Occupations**



Note, salary data is derived from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and is displayed by BLS Occupational coding. See AGI's 2011 Status of the Geoscience Workforce report, Appendix A for full explanation of geoscience occupational categories.

## Global Seismicity Map, www.quakes.uq.edu.au



### **Plate Motions**

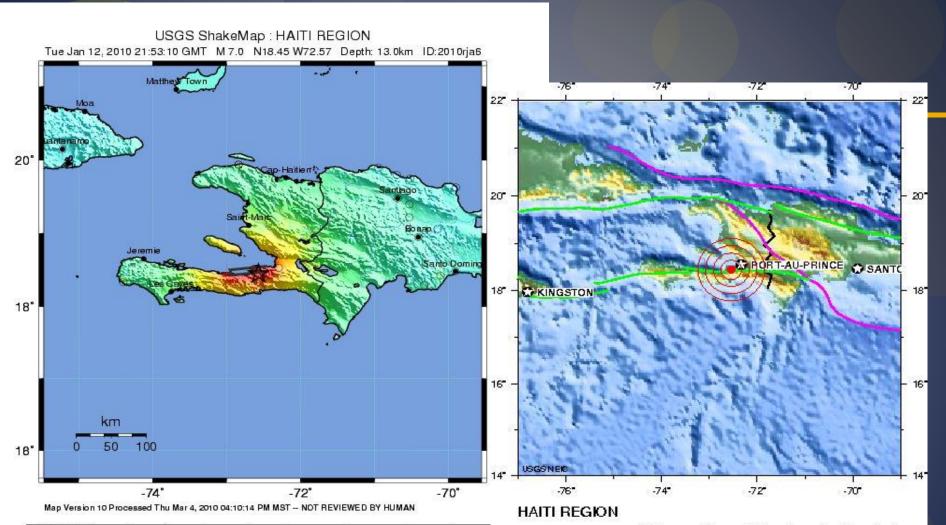


# 2010- A year of seismic hazard wake-up calls

## Jan. 12 M 7.0 Haiti vs. Feb. 27 M 8.8 Chile







PERCEIVED	Notfelt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
POTENTIAL DAMAGE	none	none	none	Very light	Light	Moderate	Moderate/Heavy	Heavy	Very Heav
PEAK ACC.(%g)	<.17	.17-1.4	1.4-3.9	3.9-9.2	9.2-18	18-34	34-65	65-124	>124
PEAK VEL.(cm/s)	<0.1	0.1-1.1	1.1-3.4	3.4-8.1	8.1-16	16-31	31-60	60-116	>116
INSTRUMENTAL INTENSITY	- 1	11-111	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	DX .	X+

2010 01 12 21:53:10 UTC 18.44N 72.54W Depth: 13 km, Magnitude: 7.0 Earthquake Location

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USGS, 2010

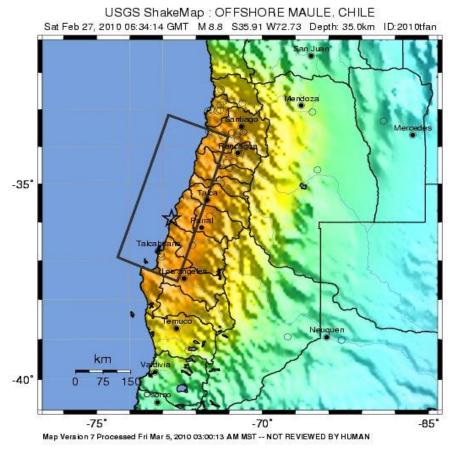
## Haiti Quick Facts

January 12, 2010, M 7.0 Earthquake Epicenter was 25 km WSW of Port-au-Prince 230,000 people killed 1.5 million homeless Largest U.S. Urban Food Campaign in History













OFFSHORE MAULE, CHILE 2010 02:27 06:34:14 UTC 35,938 72,76%, Repth: 35 km, Magnitude: 3.2 Farthquike Location

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## **Chile Quick Facts**

February 27, 2010, M 8.8 Earthquake Epicenter was 335 km SW of Santiago 521 people killed Over 3 minutes of groundshaking Tsunami Generated 1.29 meters high

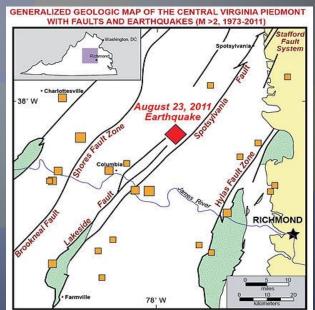


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# 2011- A year of seismic hazard wake-up calls

## March. 11 M 9.0 Japan, Aug. 23 M 5.7 VA





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## **Geophysics** math

- Matrix Algebra
- ODEs and PDEs
- Complex Calculus and Vector Analysis
- Statistics
- Computational Physics

## Exploring (GEO)physics further

- Attend Geoscience colloquium Take an elective from the Geoscience Dept.
- Participate in a summer internship experience!
  IRIS Undergraduate Internships in Seismology
  UNAVCO's Research Experiences in Solid Earth Sciences (RESESS)

## Internship Opportunities



- Flexible length 9 to 14 weeks research placements
- Single year only
- Participants distributed both within the US and abroad
- Virtual communication among cohort emphasized
- Research projects include all specialties within seismology
- Travel and weekly stipend
- Full funding to present research at the Fall AGU conference in San Francisco, CA



- Multi-summer diversity-focused
- u weeks research placement/summer
- First year interns located in Boulder, CO (2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> year interns anywhere)
- Research projects include a variety of solid Earth science topics
- Travel, lodging, and competitive monthly salary
  - Academic year support:
    - Scholarships
    - GRE test fees
    - Funding for conference attendance
    - Graduate school application assistance

#### Deadline for both programs is February 1, 2014