

## **Wise Words from Celebrated Geologists: Should we Listen to them?**

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### **Abstract**

In the last 15 years, I had the pleasure to interview tens of celebrated geologists. I visited their homes, discussed their careers in their labs, offices, and outcrops, and I took notes after gently intruding into their domestic lives. My professional activity in Houston was key to plan and materialize this project because Houston is for geologists and Hollywood is for actors. It is a matter of fact that our Geological Community recognizes and celebrates geologists when they are “seniors,” and as a consequence, I interviewed people older than me, and in a professional situation where they did not have to demonstrate anything to anybody anymore. This situation allowed them to talk with candor and without constraints. I felt the duty to collect their wise words and re-propose them to you, the Geological Community.

We have now in our hands a collection of exquisite experiences, suggestions, and career paths, recorded in video format, that have not been captured in the several articles and talks given by these celebrated geologists. The aim of my contribution is to discuss together on how to benefit from this legacy, analyze these role models, and think deeply about these wise words.

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