References and Further Reading

Chapter 9: Weathering and Soils

We built part of this chapter around a discussion of World Heritage sites. You can learn more about this program from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO; http://whc.unesco.org/). Much of the detail about what is going on at Angkor Wat was taken from an article by E. Uchida and coauthors (Engineering Geology, 1999, v. 55, p. 101-112).

Weathering and soil formation processes are described in two online texts aimed at students in physical geography courses. These courses overlap with earth science in their attention to processes that shape the landscape. These are both excellent resources by Michael Pidwirny (University of British Columbia, Okanagan, http://www.physicalgeography.net/) and Michael Ritter (University of Wisconsin, Stephens Point, http://www.uwsp.edu/geo/faculty/ritter/geog101/textbook/). For more on weathering rates, we again recommend Andrew Goudie's book, Changing Earth: Rates of Geomorphological Processes (Blackwell Press).

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS; http://soils.usda.gov/) is a great place to look for more information on soils. Check out their information for teachers and students that contains links to data on state soils, soil profiles, and the twelve dominant soil orders.