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GEOM 1004 [0.5 credit]
Maps, Satellites and the Geospatial Revolution
Introduction to the creation and use of maps using a variety of geospatial tools to better understand and resolve physical, social and environmental problems. Overview of geomatics (cartography and map design, geographic information systems, GPS, remote sensing).
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as ERTH 2004.
Precludes additional credit for GEOM 2004 (no longer offered).
Lectures and laboratory, four hours a week.

GEOM 2005 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Geospatial Programming
Computer programming for geomatics students focusing on storage, manipulation, management, visualization and analysis of geospatial data; Essential coding concepts and best practices including variables, loops, and conditional statements; programmatic handling of raster and vector data structures; batch geoprocessing and map production; GIS tool customization.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Lectures and laboratory, four hours per week.

GEOM 2007 [0.5 credit]
Vector GIS: Points, Lines and Polygons
Storage, visualization, manipulation and analysis of vector geospatial data. Vector geoprocessing including buffering, overlays and topological analysis; feature classification and cartographic representation; managing coordinate reference systems for vector layers; selected applications of vector GIS such as urban planning, environmental and resource management and socio-economic mapping.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 1004 or permission of the Department.
Lectures and laboratory, four hours a week.

GEOM 2008 [0.5 credit]
Raster GIS: Pixels and Grids
Storage, visualization, manipulation, and analysis of gridded geospatial data; 3D visualization; digital terrain analysis; interpolation and filtering; raster geoprocessing and projections; selected topics and applications in raster GIS such as least-cost path analysis, natural hazard assessment, pollution mapping and hotspot analysis for population geography.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 1004 or permission of the Department.
Lectures and laboratory, four hours per week.

GEOM 3002 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Remote Sensing
Principles and methods of remote sensing; visual interpretation of air photos and satellite imagery; digital image processing, analysis and classification for thematic mapping; introduction to various active and passive remote sensing imagery types such as optical, hyperspectral, RADAR and LiDAR.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 2008 and third-year standing, or permission of the Department.
Lectures two hours a week, laboratory two hours a week.

GEOM 3005 [0.5 credit]
Geospatial Analysis
An advanced course in geospatial analysis theory and practice; geoprocessing; geo-visualization; geostatistics; spatial modelling; working with spatio-temporal data structures; advanced site-suitability and network analysis; intermediate GIS tool customization.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 2007 and GEOM 2008.
Lecture and laboratories five hours a week.

GEOM 3007 [0.5 credit]
Cartographic Theory and Design
Principles of and issues in cartography, cartographic communication and map design; practical aspects of cartographic representation using multimedia and online/interactive mapping.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 2007 or GEOM 2008 or permission of the Department.
Lectures and laboratory four hours a week.

GEOM 3999 [0.0 credit]
Co-operative Work Term
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

GEOM 4001 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Geomatics
A seminar focusing on selected topics in geomatics including advanced theory and/or application.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in Geomatics or permission of the department.
Laboratory or seminar three hours a week.

GEOM 4003 [0.5 credit]
Remote Sensing of the Environment
Advanced image enhancement; land cover classification for thematic mapping; biophysical modeling; applications in resources, environment, and urban mapping.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 3002 and Honours standing, or permission of the Department.
Lectures two hours a week, laboratory two hours a week.

GEOM 4005 [0.5 credit]
Directed Studies in Geomatics
Students pursue their interest in a selected theme in Geomatics on a tutorial basis with a member of the Department.
Prerequisite(s): permission of the Department.

GEOM 4008 [0.5 credit]
Advanced Topics in Geographic Information Systems
Advanced methods and techniques in GIS applications including: positional and attribute error analysis, multiple criteria decision making, interpolation, elevation modeling and ortho-imaging, and spatial pattern measurement.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 3005 and Honours standing.
Lectures two hours a week, laboratory two hours a week.

GEOM 4009 [0.5 credit]
Custom Geomatics Applications
Development and implementation of custom geomatics applications and workflows using programming and various geoprocessing tools. Project design, application development, GIS automation and documentation.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): GEOM 2005 and (GEOM 3002 or GEOM 3005 or GEOM 3007), or permission of the department.
Workshop three hours a week.

GEOM 4406 [0.5 credit]
Practicum I
Students apply their knowledge and research skills and gain experience through field placements in government, the private sector, non-government organisations and with community organisations in the environmental field.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as GEOG 4406.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in Geomatics or Geography and permission of the Department.
Field placement one day a week.

GEOM 4408 [0.5 credit]
Practicum II
Students apply their knowledge and research skills and gain experience through field placements in government, the private sector, non-government organisations and with community organisations in the environmental field.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as GEOG 4408.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in Geomatics or Geography and permission of the Department.
Field placement one day a week.

GEOM 4906 [1.0 credit]
Honours Research Project
Candidates for B.Sc. with Concentration in Geomatics undertake a research project within their area of specialization. The project is supervised by a member of the department and a written report must be submitted. The candidate may be examined orally on the report.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for GEOG 4904/GEOM 4904 (no longer offered), GEOG 4906, GEOG 4909, GEOM 4909, ENST 4906, and ENST 4907.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in BSc Geomatics, and an approved research topic and adviser.
Hours to be arranged with faculty adviser.

GEOM 4909 [1.0 credit]
Honours Research Thesis
Independent design and implementation of a research project leading to the submission of a research thesis. Students work with an individual faculty adviser. The subject for research is decided upon in consultation with the supervisor.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for GEOG 4904 / GEOM 4904 (no longer offered), GEOG 4906, GEOM 4906, GEOG 4909, ENST 4906 and ENST 4907.
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in B.A. Geomatics, a minimum CGPA of 9.00 in the major or permission of the Department, and an approved research topic and adviser.
Hours to be arranged with faculty adviser.