Course Description: Introduction to basic concepts of vector GIS using several industry specific software programs including nomenclature of cartography and geography.

Semester Hours: 4

Lecture/Lab Hours: This course consists of (3) lecture hours and (3) lab hours. Each student is expected to spend 3 hours per week preparing for class. Attendance is crucial for success in this course. Three (3) consecutive unexcused absences may result in the student being dropped from the course.

Prerequisite: Introductory


Student Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Explain basic concepts of using GIS in mapping the earth in spatial terms and populating the system to access data.
2. Create and access data in the GIS’s system using an appropriate software package
3. Develop and print maps with industry standard legends.
4. Operate industry standard GIS package(s) on a personal computer
5. Capture positional attribute information with correct and accurate geographic referencing
6. Convert geographic information among several coordinate systems.
7. Acquire GIS’s system information from databases, existing maps and the Internet
8. Annotate output for finished maps, documents, and reports.

Evaluation Methods

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Teaching Methods:

1. Lecture
2. Computer problems
3. Power Point Presentations
4. Computer Demonstrations

**A 100-90 Points, B 89-80 Points, C 79-70 Points, D 69-60, F 59 & below**

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