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NOTIFICATION

Sub: Revision of syllabus for Geographical Information System (PG) from the Academic year 2018-19.

Ref: 1. Decision of Board of Studies in Geographical Information System (PG) meeting held on 11.12.2017.
2. Decision of the Faculty of Science & Technology Meeting held on 21.04.2018.
3. Decision of the Academic council meeting held on 19.06.2018.

The Board of Studies in Geographical Information System (PG) which met on 11.12.2017 has recommended to revise the existing syllabus of M.Sc. in Geographical Information System from the academic year 2018-19.

The Faculty of Science and Technology and the Academic council meetings held on 21.04.2018 and 19.06.2018 respectively have approved the above said proposal and the same is hereby notified.

The revised syllabus of M.Sc. in Geographical Information System course is annexed. The contents may be downloaded **from the University Website i.e., www.uni-mysore.ac.in**.

Draft approved by the Registrar

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Deputy Registrar(Academic)

To:

1. The Registrar (Evaluation), University of Mysore, Mysore.
2. The Dean, Faculty of Science & Technology, DOS in Physics, Manasagangotri, Mysore.
3. The Chairperson, BOS in Geography, DOS in Geography, Manasagangotri, Mysore.
4. The Chairperson, Department of Studies in Geography, Manasagangotri, Mysore.
5. The Director, College Development Council, Moulya Bhavan, Manasagangotri, Mysore.
6. The Deputy/Assistant Registrar/Superintendent, AB and EB, UOM, Mysore.
7. The P.A. to the Vice-Chancellor/Registrar/Registrar (Evaluation), UOM, Mysore.
8. Office file.

**REVISION OF SYLLABUS PERTAINING TO THE M.Sc. GIS PROGRAMME
FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR, 2018-2019, AT THE CENTRE FOR
GEOINFORMATICS TECHNOLOGY, DOS IN GEOGRAPHY, MGM**

After a detailed discussion, the Board resolved to revise the existing syllabus and made the following changes:

- a. The Board resolved to replace, modify and upgrade the existing hardcore papers and introduced new Hard core papers in First, Second and Third Semesters.
- b. The Board resolved to replace, modify and upgrade the existing softcore papers and introduced new softcore papers in First, Second and Third Semesters.
- c. The Board resolved to remove the existing open elective paper in fourth semester.
- d. The Board resolved to update the contents of the existing papers with new concepts and techniques in both theory and practical papers in First, Second and Third Semesters.

For First Semester:

- a. The Board resolved to rename the Hardcore paper “**Fundamentals of Cartography**” as “**Principles of Cartography**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- b. The Board resolved to rename the Hardcore practical paper “**Advanced Remote Sensing Analysis**” as “**Remote Sensing Analysis and Interpretation**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- c. The Board resolved to replace the Softcore paper “**Computer Applications in GIS**” with new paper titled “**Fundamentals of Information Technology**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- d. The Board resolved to replace the Softcore paper “**Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods**” with Softcore paper on “**GIS for Network Planning and Management**” through by renaming the old paper “**Geography of Network Analysis**” with 4 credits, which has been shifted from Second Semester.
- e. The Board resolved to rename the Softcore paper “**Application of Remote Sensing in Coastal Management**” as “**Remote Sensing for Coastal Management**” with 4 credits and updated contents.

For Second Semester:

- a. The Board resolved to rename the Hardcore paper “**Geographical Information System and Global Positioning System**” as “**Principles of GIS**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- b. The Board resolved to rename the Hardcore practical paper “**Advanced GIS and GPS**” (Practical) as “**Advanced Geospatial Analysis**” (Practical) with 4 credits and updated contents.
- c. The Board resolved to replace the hardcore theory paper “**Principles of Photogrammetry**” with new hardcore practical paper “**Surveying Technologies and Data Processing**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- d. The Board resolved to rename the softcore paper “**Application of GIS in Disaster Management**” as “**GIS for Disaster Management**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- e. The Board resolved to rename the softcore paper “**Application of GIS in Geomorphology**” as “**GIS for Geomorphological Studies**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- f. The Board resolved to shift the softcore theory paper “**GIS for Demography and Humanities**” from third Semester with 4 credits.

For Third Semester:

- a. The Board resolved to replace the hardcore practical paper “**Programming in C**” (Practical) as a new Hardcore Practical paper titled “**Programming for GIS**” (Practical) with 4 credits and updated contents.
- b. The Board resolved to replace the Hard core practical paper “**Mapping in AutoCAD**” with a new hardcore theory paper on “**Research Methodology and Project Management**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- c. The Board resolved to rename the softcore paper “**Application of GIS in Environmental Management**” as “**GIS for Environmental Management**” with 4 credits and updated contents.
- d. The Board resolved to introduce the new softcore paper “**GIS for Sustainability Research**” with 4 credits and updated contents.

For Fourth Semester:

- a. The Board resolved to remove the open elective (OE) paper titled “**Fundamentals of GIS and GPS**” from the M.Sc-GIS syllabus.

The **credit sheet of existing syllabus** is enclosed in **Annexure I** and the **revised credit sheet with detailed course-wise syllabus** with all modifications incorporated is enclosed in **Annexure II**.

Annexure I: Credit sheet of Existing Syllabus

**CHOICE BASED CREDIT SCHEME (CBCS)
CENTRE FOR GEOINFORMATICS TECHNOLOGY
DOS in Geography, Manasagangothri, University of Mysore, Mysuru – 570006**

**OLD SYLLABUS BY SEMESTERS
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (M.Sc. in GIS)
For students admitted in 2016-17 and 2017-18**

I Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. No. | Code | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-----------|---|----------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | 17941 | Principles of Remote Sensing | HC I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | 17942 | Fundamentals of Cartography | HC II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 3 | Practical | Advanced Remote Sensing Analysis | HC III | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 4 | 17943 | Computer Applications in GIS | SC I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | 17944 | Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods | SC II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | 17945 | Land Use Planning and Land Evaluation | SC III | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | 17946 | Application of Remote Sensing in Coastal Management | SC IV | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Note: All three Hard Core Courses are compulsory. Among the Four Soft Core courses, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses.

II Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. No. | Codes | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-----------|---|----------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | 17951 | Geographical Information Systems and Global Positioning Systems | HC IV | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | Practical | Advanced GIS and GPS Techniques | HC V | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | 17952 | Principles of Photogrammetry | HC VI | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 4 | 17953 | Applications of GIS in Disaster Management | SC V | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | 17954 | Geography of Network Analysis | SC VI | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | 17955 | Application of GIS in Geomorphology | SC VII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | 17956 | GIS for Land Resource Management | SC VIII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 8 | 17957 | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | OE I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Note: All three hard cores are compulsory. Among the Four soft cores, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses. Open Elective Courses are offered for the students of other Department.

III Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. No. | Codes | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | 17961 | Climate Change and GIS | HC VII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | Practical | Programming in C | HC VIII | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | Practical | Mapping in AutoCAD | HC IX | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 4 | 17962 | GIS for Urban Planning and Management | SC IX | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | 17963 | GIS for Water Resources Management | SC X | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

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|--|-------|--|--------|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 17964 | Application of GIS in Environmental Management | SC XI | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | 17965 | GIS for Demography and Humanities | SC XII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 8 | 17966 | Basics of Remote Sensing | OE II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| <p>Note: All three hard cores are compulsory. Among the Four soft cores, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses. Open Elective Courses are offered for the students of other Department.</p> | | | | | | | |

IV Semester (Credits: 12)

| SL. No. | Codes | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | | Internship | HC X | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 2 | | Major Research Project | HC XI | 0 | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| 3 | | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | OE III | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| <p>Internship and Projects are compulsory. Open Elective Courses are offered for the students of other Department.</p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>Note: All course works / programs are compulsory for M.Sc-GIS students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internships: Are done in a Government, research and implementation institution and / or a Private, Corporate institution of repute with specialization on the technologies of Cartography, Remote Sensing, GIS and GPS, including Computer work in a prestigious lab. Internship must begin in the first week of February and continue till the end of March. • Project work: This is a Major Project of 3 full months or about 12 weeks, on a larger, manageable program of research, requiring a report of 90 pages including maps and diagrams and tables (40 pages) and text (50 pages). Project work begins in the first week of April. <p>Seminars are a part of Internships and Project work in which seminars have specific purposes. Students make power point presentations on their chosen theme of research for project work, outlining the background, rationale and objectives of research, on their chosen Methodology and the rationale behind them and on their Draft Final report at the end of the 20th week of the semester (end of June) under the guidance and supervision of their tutors/advisors/guides.</p> <p>Field work and educational tours are also compulsory for the students and are conducted by the students with explicit guidance and supervision from the faculty members. They are better performed before the beginning of the second and fourth semesters.</p> <p>The students are very intensively engaged by the course works of Internship, Project work, seminars, field work and educational tours, with constant monitoring and evaluation of the work carried out by the teachers. Final seminar where the students make their presentations on their Final Project Report of their major research work will be jointly evaluated by two internal examiners / experts.</p> | | | | | | | |

OPEN ELECTIVES

II SEMESTER

| Sl. No | Codes | Course Title | Number of Credits | | | |
|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 01 | | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

III SEMESTER

| Sl. No | Codes | Course Title | Number of Credits | | | |
|--------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 01 | | Basics of Remote Sensing | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

IV SEMESTER

| Sl. No | Codes | Course Title | Number of Credits | | | |
|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 01 | | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Annexure II: Revised/New Syllabus

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SCHEME (CBCS)
CENTRE FOR GEOINFORMATICS TECHNOLOGY
 DOS in Geography, Manasagangothri, University of Mysore, Mysuru – 570006

REVISED SYLLABUS BY SEMESTERS
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (M.Sc. in GIS)
For students admitted in 2018-19

I Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. No. | Code | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-----------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | | Principles of Remote Sensing | HC I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | | Principles of Cartography | HC II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 3 | Practical | Remote Sensing Analysis and Interpretation | HC III | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 4 | | Fundamentals of Information Technology | SC I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | | GIS for Network Planning and Management | SC II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | | Land Use Planning and Land Evaluation | SC III | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | | Remote Sensing for Coastal Management | SC IV | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Note: All three Hard Core Courses are compulsory. Among the Four Soft Core courses, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses.

II Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. No. | Codes | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-----------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | | Principles of GIS | HC IV | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | Practical | Advanced Geospatial Analysis | HC V | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | Practical | Surveying Technologies and Data Processing | HC VI | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 4 | | GIS for Disaster Management | SC V | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | | GIS for Geomorphological Studies | SC VI | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | | GIS for Land Resource Management | SC VII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | | GIS for Demography and Humanities | SC VIII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 8 | | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | OE I | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Note: All three hard cores are compulsory. Among the Four soft cores, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses. Open Elective Courses are offered for the students from other Department.

III Semester (Credits: 28)

| SL. | Codes | Title of Course | Types | Number of Credits |
|-----|-------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|
|-----|-------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|

| No. | | | HC/SC/OE | L | T | P | Total |
|-----|-----------|---|----------|---|---|---|-------|
| 1 | | Climate Change and GIS | HC VII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 2 | Practical | Programming for GIS | HC VIII | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | | Research Methodology and Project Management | HC IX | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 4 | | GIS for Urban Planning and Management | SC IX | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 | | GIS for Water Resources Management | SC X | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | | GIS for Environmental Management | SC XI | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | | GIS for Sustainability Research | SC XII | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 8 | | Basics of Remote Sensing | OE II | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

Note: All three hard cores are compulsory. Among the Four soft cores, students have the option to choose any two Soft Core Courses. Open Elective Courses are offered for the students from other Department.

IV Semester (Credits: 12)

| SL. No. | Codes | Title of Course | Types HC/SC/OE | Number of Credits | | | |
|---------|-------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 1 | | Internship | HC X | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 2 | | Major Research Project | HC XI | 0 | 2 | 6 | 8 |

Note: Internship and Projects are compulsory for the M.Sc GIS Students.

Note: All course works / programs are compulsory for M.Sc-GIS students.

- **Internships:** Are done in a Government, research and implementation institution and / or a Private, Corporate institution of repute with specialization on the technologies of Cartography, Remote Sensing, Photogrammetry, LiDAR, CAD, GIS and GPS, including Computer work in a prestigious lab. Internship must begin at the first week in the commencement of fourth semester and end with an eight 8-weeks (two months) from the date of joining.
- **Project work:** This is a Major Project of 3 full months or about 12 weeks, on a larger, manageable program of research, requiring a report of 90 pages including maps and diagrams and tables (40 pages) and text (50 pages). Project work begins after the Internship program.

Seminars are a part of Internships and Project work in which seminars have specific purposes. Students make power point presentations on their chosen theme of research for major research project work, outlining the background, rationale and objectives of research, on their chosen Methodology and the rationale behind them and on their Draft Final report at the end of the 20th week of the semester under the guidance and supervision of their tutors/advisors/guides.

Field work and educational tours are also compulsory for the students and are conducted by the students with explicit guidance and supervision from the faculty members. They are better performed before the beginning of the second and fourth semesters.

The students are very intensively engaged by the course works of Internship, Project work, seminars, field work and educational tours, with constant monitoring and evaluation of the work carried out by the faculties. Final seminar where the students make their presentations on their Final Project Report of their major research work will be jointly evaluated by two internal examiners / experts.

OPEN ELECTIVES

II SEMESTER

| Sl. No | Codes | Course Title | Number of Credits | | | |
|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 01 | | Fundamentals of GIS and GPS | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

III SEMESTER

| Sl. No | Codes | Course Title | Number of Credits | | | |
|--------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|---|---|-------|
| | | | L | T | P | Total |
| 01 | | Basics of Remote Sensing | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

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REVISED SYLLABUS BY SEMESTERS
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS
(M.Sc. in GIS)

For students admitted in 2018-19
(Hard Core, Soft Core and Open Elective Papers by Semester)

FIRST SEMESTER

HARD CORE

PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF REMOTE SENSING

Objective: *The objective of this paper is to understand the basic concepts of Remote Sensing and to impart to students the skills necessary for remote sensing analysis and interpretation so that students acquire transferable and also employable skills in remote sensing. This is a step ahead of the fundamentals and more practical for learning.*

Introduction: Definitions, concepts and types of remote sensing, evolution, stages and advantages of remote sensing, spatial data acquisition, Electromagnetic spectrum, electromagnetic radiation, wavelength regions of electromagnetic radiation, types; Satellite, characteristics and Land/Marine observation satellites.

Remote Sensing Technologies: Thermal Remote Sensing – Thermal radiation principles; Precision remote sensing – spatial, spectral and temporal precision; Passive and Active Microwave Remote Sensing; RADAR – definition, development, wavelengths, polarimetry, airborne and space borne SLRs and their components; LiDAR – principles, components, accuracy, spectral characteristics of laser and error analysis.

Digital Image Processing: Image processing systems, data formats of digital image, pre-processing, image enhancement and transformation and image classification, multispectral images, Visual Image Interpretation, remote sensing products, elements of visual interpretation, interpretation keys, generating thematic maps; thermal and radar image interpretation.

Applications of Remote Sensing: Applications of remote sensing in agriculture (crop-yield estimation, agroforestry, moisture), forestry (vegetation index, biomass, biodiversity/species estimation, forest fires), oceans and coastal monitoring (sea surface temperatures, oil spills, flood, other glacial studies), Urban sprawl analysis, land degradation, desertification, and monitoring atmosphere components, applications of thermal remote sensing in geology, hydrogeology mineral exploration, lithological mapping and urban heat budgeting

Reference:

1. **Remote Sensing and GIS** - Bhatta, B.
2. **Introduction to Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation;** Lillesand T.M.
3. **Introductory Remote Sensing** - Gibson, Paul. J.
4. **Digital Image Processing: A Remote Sensing Perspective** - Jensen, John R.
5. **Microwave Remote Sensing: active and passive** – Fawas T Ulaby, Richard K Moore
6. **Imaging Radar for resources surveys** – Travett J W

HARD CORE

PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF CARTOGRAPHY

Objective: *This course enables the students to learn the fundamental techniques and skills in Cartography and the new theoretical approach that is part of the innovative evolution of cartography.*

Introduction: Definition, concepts, types, history, applications, conventional cartography and digital cartography, cartographic communication process, cartographical cube, types of map and functions, map scale, map numbering system.

Cartographic abstraction and symbolization: Cartographical data models, classification, simplification, Base maps, thematic maps, choropleth map, Socioeconomic map, Water resources map, Geologic map, Forest map, Agriculture map, Water resource map, Water quality map, Soil survey map, Map for hot spots manipulation; map composition, cartographic elements, symbolization of features – point, line and area.

Map perceptions and design: Objectives, functions, scope of design, perceptual consideration, graphic communications, control of map design and design planning, design excellence, principles of cartographic designs, cartographic generalization, atlases and hypermaps; Mapping Algorithms - Contouring algorithms, Surfaces and surface interpolation algorithms; 3D Visualization with stereo anaglyph images.

Projections and Geodesy: Classification of map projections, datum surfaces and coordinate system, Transformation, Azimuthal, Conical and Cylindrical projections with emphasis on LCC, Polyconic and UTM; Geodesy – definition, types, shape and size of Earth, geoid, reference ellipsoid, Everest Spheroid, WGS 84 and geometry of ellipsoid.

References

1. **Elements of Cartography** - Robinson, A.H., et. al.
2. **Fundamentals of Cartography** - Misra, R.P. and Ramesh A.
3. **Cartography: Visualisation of Spatial data** - Kraak, M.J. and F.J.Ormeling
4. **Introduction to Thematic Cartography** - Tyner, J.
5. **Satellite Geodesy** – Gunter Seebar

HARD CORE (PRACTICAL)

PAPER: REMOTE SENSING ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Objective: *Remote Sensing Technology is applied to problems and issues in sustainable development. Remotely sensed data are manipulated for feature extraction, spatial analysis and raster based GIS modeling.*

Data Acquisition: Obtaining multi-spectral data from Landsat, IRS, SPOT, MODIS Terra/Aqua, NOAA; obtaining elevation data from Cartosat - I, SRTM, ASTER, Topographical Maps and GEBCO,

Data Preprocessing: Image enhancement - contrast manipulation, density slicing, and colour coding, image rectification: noise removal, radiometric correction, spatial correction, spectral correction, pan sharpening; geometric correction; image registration, subset, mosaic of side lap and overlap images.

Image Classification: Determination of land use classes and various classification scheme; Unsupervised – K Means, ISODATA; Supervised classification – training sets, Parametric and Non-Parametric rules; Object based classification; Visual Image Interpretation; Accuracy assessment – Confusion matrix, Kappa – coefficient, thematic mapping.

Modelling – indices modelling - DVI, NDVI, SAVI, MSI, NDBI, NDWI; building of model using model maker – Tasseled Cap Transformation (Brightness, Wetness and Greenness), land surface temperature, study of histograms and layer information.

References

1. **Introduction to Remote sensing and Image interpretation-** Lillesand and Keifer
2. **Introductory Remote Sensing-** Paul. J. Gibson
3. **Fundamentals of Remote Sensing and Air Photo Interpretation -**Avery, T.E.
4. **Introduction to Remote Sensing -**James B. Campbell
5. **Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation -**Lillesand, T.M. &R.W.Kiefer

SOFT CORE

PAPER: FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Objectives: *Information Technology is a turnkey solutions in the current world of technology which intending to the automation of manual task. So that, this paper teaches basics of computer science and information technology as a bridge course to the interdisciplinary students.*

Basics of Computer Systems: Basics of computer, Characteristics of computers, Limitations of computers, System Components, Input devices, Output devices, Computer Memory, Central Processing Unit, Mother Board; Evolution of computers, Classification of Computers, Types of Microcomputers Distributed Computer; Number Systems and Boolean algebra; Software's and Operating Systems Concepts.

Programming and DBMS: Problem solving techniques with Algorithms, Flowcharts, Pseudo codes; Translators-Assemblers, Compilers, Interpreters; Machine Code - Assembly Language - High Level Languages - Systematic Programming - Object-Oriented Programming; Database Management Systems: Introduction; databases, database management system - structure, types of DBMS; application of DBMS.

Information Technology: Information, Quality of Information, Information Processing, IT components, role, benefits, Information privacy, security and reliability in using computer systems and the internet; issues and responsibilities in internet usage; legal issues in IT; Green IT, global perspectives of computing issues; Current trends in IT industries, emerging technologies and applications.

Data Communication and Networking: Communication, Communication Process, Data Representation, Data Transmission speed, Communication Types (modes), Data Transmission Medias, Modem and its working, characteristics, Types of Networks, LAN Topologies, Network Protocols, History of Internet, working, services, browsers, uses, emerging technologies and applications.

Reference:

1. **Algorithm Design: Foundations, Analysis and Internet Examples**-Michael T. Goodrich
2. **Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach** - Kurose James F.
3. **Data Communications and Networking** - Behrouz A. Forouzan (Fourth Edition)
4. **Database Systems: Models, Languages, Design and Application Programming**-Ramez Elmasri
5. **Fundamentals of Database Systems**-Ramez Elmasri
6. **Fundamentals of Information Technology**, Alexis Leon. Mathews Leon
7. **Hutchinson, Using Information Technology**- Williams, Sawyer, McGraw Hill.
8. **Information Technology for Management** – Henry C.Lucas, Jr.
9. **Learn to program** - Chris Pine
10. **Principles of Information Technology** - Kathleen M. Austin
11. **The Art of Computer Programming**- Donald Knuth

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR NETWORK PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

***Objective:** The paper introduces network theory, applications of network theory in analyzing social and urban networks, especially transport networks. Lectures introduce network data structures and other analytic tools. GIS-T helps students gain knowledge and skills in input, management analysis and reporting on transportation issues.*

Network Theory: Definition, importance and applications of network theory, web applications of social networks, graphs – socio-grams, connections, distances and measures of power and prestige, applications of social networks in geographical information systems applications.

Network data models: Nature and utility of network data models, basic representations of node and link tables, layer-based and object-oriented approaches to network analysis.

Graph Theory: Basic graph definitions, links and their structures, basic structural properties, measures and indices (detour, network intensity, PI, Eta, Theta, Beta, Alpha and Gamma indices), connectivity and total accessibility.

Applications of GIS in Network: Data representation, analysis and modeling (multi-dimensional GIS-T models), Applications and problems – travelling salesman problem, vehicle routing problem, facility location problems and spatial interaction models., Utility Networks-Electricity, Water distribution, Sewerage Line and Telecom.

References

1. **The Geography of Transport Systems** - Rodrigue, Jean-Paul
2. **Social Network Analysis: A Handbook** -Scott, John.
3. **Transportation Network Analysis** - Bell, M.G.H. and Iida, Y.
4. **Network Analysis in Geography** - Haggett, P. and Chorley, R.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: LAND USE PLANNING AND LAND EVALUATION

Objective: *This course is to motivate the students to study land use systems, land uses, land utilization types, land evaluation and land use planning. Essentially, the course places the above aspects in the context of natural resources systems analysis so that students could gain insights on the land use and land evaluation perspectives.*

Land Use: Land use systems, land utilization types; land use classifications – rural and urban land uses and land use patterns, Municipal Lands and Open Spaces in Cities and Town, Agriculture and Forest Land Management, Recreational Lands, Wetland Management.

Land Evaluation: Logical basis of land evaluation; land evaluation for land use planning; Biophysical models of land evaluation, the FAO two-stage approach to land evaluation; other approaches to land capability and suitability classifications

Data Sources for Land Evaluation: Land-soil-water resources surveys; remote sensing and GPS surveys of land uses; land use and land cover classification from remotely sensed data; vegetation indices, supervised and unsupervised classification.

Land Use Planning: Importance and difficulty of land use planning, Urban Land Use Planning Strategies, land use policies, principles of land use planning and land use management; urban land use planning, critical issues of land use planning in India; land holdings, reserved and restricted lands, hazard and disaster prone areas, land acquisition.

References

1. **Modeling in Resource Management and Environment: through Geoinformatics** - Sharma H.S. and Binda P.R
2. **Guidelines for land use planning**, UNFAO- FAO
3. **Agricultural land use planning** - Vink, A.P.A.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: REMOTE SENSING FOR COASTAL MANAGEMENT

Objective: *This course is to familiarize the students about the fundamentals of coastal process and the remote sensing applications in the field of Coastal Management.*

Coastal processes: Definition, importance of coast, Oceanic circulation, Upwelling and sinking, Waves, Wave Characteristics, Wave generated currents, Catastrophic waves, Tides, Tidal forces, Littoral drift, Bathymetry, Navigational Charts

Coastal Dynamics: Coastal Hydrodynamics, Estuarial dynamics, Hydrodynamics of pollution dispersion, Modeling of suspended sediments, Coastal erosion, Shore line change dynamics, Coastal engineering for protection works, Design of Breakwater

Coastal Zone Management: Introduction, major issues/ problems, Thematic maps on coastal resources, wetland classification, mapping of shore line changes, coastal interactions, coastal regulation zone mapping, creation of CZIS, ICZM model concepts and case studies, resolving conflict on resources utilization, coastal aquifer modeling.

Remote Sensing Applications: Use of Microwave data, CZCS studies, chlorophyll production index, various sensors used for coastal application, physical oceanographic parameter estimation, sea surface temperature, Suspended sediments, Salinity Mapping, significant wave height, wind speed and directions, coastal bathymetry and sea level rise. Estuaries, Intertidal zones, potential fishing zones.

Reference:

1. **GIS in oceanography & Fisheries** - Vasilis D. Valavanis
2. **Remote Sensing Handbook for Tropical Coastal Management** - Alasdair J. Edward
3. **Oceanography** - Grant Gross M.
4. **Shoreline Management Guidelines** - Karsten Manager
5. **Beach process and sedimentation** - Paul D. Kumar
6. **Introduction to Coastal Engineering and Management** – J. William Kamphuis
7. **Integrated Coastal and Ocean Management** – Biliانا Cicin-Sain Gunnar Kullenburg

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SECOND SEMESTER

HARD CORE

PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF GIS

Objective: *The concepts of GIS, components of GIS and application areas of GIS are comprehensively understood. Students will go beyond the conventional fundamentals in GIS and GPS and move forward into modeling and applications, including specialized GPS surveys for planning studies.*

Introduction: Concepts, History and development of GIS, components of GIS, applications of GIS; Coordinate Systems –datum's, latitudes, longitudes, Geographical Coordinate Systems, WGS84, Projected Coordinate System and UTM; Geospatial data - Data input-existing GIS data, creating new data; Query: Spatial and Non Spatial data query, Boolean algebra.

Data Models and Management: Data format: Raster and Vector data formats; Spatial Data Models –Vector and Raster data models, Non- Spatial Data Models, Topology models, Grid model, TIN model, Network model, applications; Data collection, capture and Geo processing: Sources, input methods, editing, re-projection, geometric transformation, map scale, precision and accuracy.

GIS Modelling and analysis: Basic elements of GIS modeling; Coupling-Loose, Tight coupling; Spatial interpolation: elements, sampling schemes, global-local methods, comparison of spatial interpolation methods; Vector data analysis: buffering, overlay; raster data analysis– local operations, neighborhood operations, zonal operations; terrain mapping and analysis- DEM and TIN, contour, hill shading, slope and aspect.

GPS, DGPS and GNSS: definition, history, components; types, working principles and application of GPS, GLONASS, GALILEO, COMPASS; system segmentation – control segment, user segment, space segment, types of receivers; DGPS – differential corrections, accuracy in DGPS; GNSS: different GNSS, GNSS Augmentation; RNSS - IRNSS, WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS, QZSS, SNAS, SDCM and WAGE; advantages and disadvantages.

References:

- 1 **An Introduction to Geographical Information Systems** - Ian Heywood
- 2 **Geographic Information Systems: A Management Perspective** - Aronoff, S.
- 3 **GIS - Fundamentals, Applications and Implementations** - Elangovan, K.
- 4 **Introduction to Geographical Information Systems** - Chang, Kang-Tsung
- 5 **Remote Sensing and GIS** - Bhatta, B.
- 6 **Geographical Information Systems** - Maguire, David J.

7 Mathematical Modeling in Geographical Information System, Global Positioning System and Digital Cartography - Sharma, H.S.

HARD CORE (PRACTICAL)

PAPER: ADVANCED GEOSPATIAL ANALYSIS

Objective: *This is a practical course offering theme based, problem solving techniques of GIS methodology from data creation to advanced GIS and GPS analysis for student's analytical skill development.*

Data capture and Management: Scanning of hardcopy maps, georeferencing and projection, data encoding, feature and geodatabase creation (point, line and area), digitization, coverage editing, topology, annotations; attribute data – joining, editing and integration, field calculation, query by attribute, query by spatial relationship and query by graphics, class interval selection, thematic mapping and output.

Spatial Analysis Modeling: Proximity analysis; Topography - Digital Elevation Model, Slope, Aspect, Hillshade, and View shed; Watershed and Morphometric – Stream order, Flow Direction, Flow Accumulation, Watershed delineation, bifurcation ratio; Network analysis – shortest path, service area, closest facility, location and allocation; Interpolation and Extrapolation – Kriging, IDW, Spline, Trend, Natural neighbor, Thiessen polygon, topo to raster.

Spatial Statistical Modeling: Identification of Central feature, directional distribution, mean center, median center, linear directional mean, standard distance, hot-spot analysis, correlation, raster calculator and Boolean operation. Exploring spatial relations using Ordinary least square(OLS), Geographical weighted regression(GWR), Spatial autocorrelation;

GNSS/GPSSurvey: Collection of Ground Control Points (GCP), Way Points, and transformation of GNSS/GPS data into GIS; Ground Truth Verification of GIS data; Precision, Vertical and Horizontal Accuracy, inputting GPS data into computer. Mobile based survey using Open data kit (form building, XML generation, data collection, and mapping)

References:

1. **An Introduction to Geographical Information Systems** – Ian Heywood
2. **Spatial analysis and Location-Allocation Models** - Ghosh, A. and G. Rushton
3. **Geographic Information Systems and Cartographic Modelling** - Tomlin, C.D.
4. **Geographic Information Systems and Science** - Paul A. Longley, et. al.
5. **Geographic Information Systems and Environmental Modeling** - Clarke, C., K.
6. **Introduction to Geographic Information Systems** - Tsung Chang Kang

HARD CORE (PRACTICAL)

PAPER: SURVEYING TECHNOLOGIES AND DATA PROCESSING

Objectives: *To make students to learn basic principles of surveying, to handle various survey instruments, gathering of survey data, and processing it, for better planning and maintenance of required applications*

Basics of Surveying: Operating of Handheld GPS, D-GPS, Total Station, Airborne Laser Scanning (ALS), and Terrestrial Laser Scanning (TLS) devices, LiDAR Derived Products, Aerial Photography using Drone Techniques and Orthophoto with Seam line Generation/Mosaicking.

CAD and GIS: Acquiring survey data, Data interoperability, Data warehousing, Feature alignment, Scaling, Layer Generations, Layer Editing, Block referencing, Coordinate geometry, Drawing cleanup, Topology checking, Quality Audit, Feature Data analysis, symbolizations, thematic map generations, Map books, data archival and other case studies.

LiDAR data capture and processing: Fleet Planning, Automation, LiDAR Data Acquisition, Data conversion, LAS file compression, coloring, classification of ground, air points, Vegetation's, Buildings, Low Points and Water bodies; Generations of Digital Terrain Models (DTM), Digital Surface Model (DSM), Delineation of Features, Vectorizing Features and other case studies.

Photogrammetry and 3D modeling: Unmanned Aerial Systems, Ground based Systems, Camera calibrations, Acquisition of Vertical and Horizontal Images, Conversion of Images, Generation of Tie points, building mesh textures, draping images, scaling model and aligning 3D models to real-world locations and other case studies.

Reference:

1. **Aerial Photogrammetry and Image Interpretation** – David P Paine
2. **Close Range Photogrammetry: Principles, Techniques and Applications:** Thomas Luhman
3. **Digital Image Processing: A Remote Sensing Perspective** - Jensen, John R.
4. **Elementary Air Survey** – W. Kilford
5. **Geoinformation: Remote Sensing, Photogrammetry and GIS** – Gottfried Konecny
6. **Integration of GIS, Remote Sensing, Photogrammetry and Cartography: The Geoinformatics Approach** - Ehlers, M.
7. **Introduction to Photogrammetry**, T. Schenk

8. Topographic Laser Ranging and Scanning: Principles and Processing –Jie Shan, Charles K. Toth

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT

***Objective:** The course aims at introducing various types of natural disasters and application of space inputs for disaster management and GIS techniques used for mapping, impact assessment, forewarning, preparedness and mitigation of adverse effects.*

Introduction: Definition, types of disasters, importance of RS and GIS for disaster management, forecast, forewarning system, disaster preparedness with respect to different disaster, Spatial Data infrastructure to facilitate Disaster Management, GIS based Decision support system for disaster management, satellite surveillance for disaster mitigation.

Drought and Forest Fire: Drought types, causes, mitigation measures, delineation of drought vulnerable areas, drought monitoring, GIS based drought analysis, desertification factors, monitoring vegetative biomass; Forest Fire – causes, management using GIS, risk zonation mapping, forecasting system.

Earthquake, volcanoes, landslides and soil erosion: Causes, types, effects and mitigation measures, RS and GIS in earthquake prediction and post quake rehabilitation, GIS for earthquake disaster management, mapping tectonic lineament; Volcano: RS of geothermal field, mapping lava flows, volcano hazard management; Landslides: RS and GIS for zonation, monitoring and management; Soil erosion: RS and GIS for soil erosion and sediment estimation,

Flood, Cyclone and Tsunami: Flood types- flash and riverine floods, snowmelt floods, ice jams and mud flows, causes and mitigation measures, flooding potential zonation mapping, flood hazard assessment, ice cover monitoring and its role in flooding; Cyclone: cyclone monitoring using INSAT, ERS-1, NOAA and DMSP satellites, RS and GIS in hurricane mapping and mitigation, damage assessment, warning; Tsunami: types, causes, RS and GIS for warning, damage assessment and rehabilitation

Reference:

1. **The Environment as Hazards** - Kates, B.I and G.F. White.
2. **Disaster Management** - Singh, R.B.
3. **Disaster Management** - Gupta, H.K.
4. **Space Technology for Disaster Mitigation in India** - Singh, R.B.
5. **Disaster Management in Hills** - Savindra Singh
6. **Disaster Management** - Sharma, V.K.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR GEOMORPHOLOGICAL STUDIES

***Objective:** This course offers a detailed application of GIS in geomorphology. Landforms evolve in response to a combination of natural and anthropogenic processes. Mapping these changes in landforms, mining and groundwater resources has a vast scope in RS and GIS.*

Introduction: Disciplines of geomorphology, role of geomorphology in identification of natural hazards - Soil erosion by water and wind, river floods, Slope instability, ground surface subsidence, volcanoes and earthquakes, management of landslides, coastal management, and urban management.

Geomorphological Mapping: Geological survey, geologic mapping and cartographic standards for different scale, mapping geological structures – fold, faults, joints and lineaments, lithological mapping, fracture analysis, Landforms – Deltaic, fluvial, coastal, glacial, tectonic, volcanic, karst/lakes.

Geological Resources Exploration: Mineral resources exploration, mineral mapping and mineral resources information system, mineral prospect zonation, mapping mining area, encroachment mapping, GIS in mine remediation and mine reclamation, oil and gas exploration.

Ground Water Resources: Groundwater potential assessment, groundwater prospect zones mapping, modeling, planning and management, forecasting, selecting the appropriate site for artificial recharge by using RS and GIS, quality mapping, ground and surface water interactions, fluorosis, nitrate pollution and heavy metal contamination.

Reference:

1. **Introduction to Environmental Remote Sensing** – Barrett E C
2. **Geomorphology and Engineering** - Coates, D.R.
3. **Geomorphology in Environmental Management** - Cooke, R.U. and J.C. Doorn Kamp.
4. **Geomorphology and Environment Sustainability** - SC. Kalwar et.al.
5. **Indian Geomorphology** - Sharma, H.S.
6. **Geomorphology** - Savindra Singh.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Objective: To develop the skills in utilization of technologies of remote sensing, GIS, GPS, etc. in Land Resource Analysis and planning for sustainable development, soil, forest, ecology and agricultural resources management and studies.

Geological and Geo-technical studies: Mineral resources exploration, mineral mapping and mineral resources information system, mapping mining area, encroachment mapping, GIS in mine remediation and mine reclamation, oil and gas exploration, site suitability for dams, atomic power plants.

Applications in soil: Soil and Land Use Surveys, Soil classification, soil irrigability, soil erosion mapping, soil salinity, soil alkalinity, surface soil moisture estimation, runoff and sediment yield estimation, desertification mapping, soil fertility mapping, agro-land suitability assessment, soil capability and loss assessment, locational and climatic advantages, settlements and demographic pressure estimation.

Forest and Ecology: RS and GIS for forest cover mapping and monitoring, estimation of biomass, carbon sequestration, Wildlife ecology: wildlife tracking, protected areas, wildlife habitat selection, rangeland applications, forest fire surveillance and forecasting, forest burnt area mapping, fire spread modeling, revegetation, biodiversity characterization, deforestation/afforestation/encroachment mapping and monitoring, impact assessment of mining in forest.

Application in agriculture: Agro-climatic zonation, site suitability for agricultural and horticulture crops, crop acreage estimation, RS based yield model, crop norm violation, RS basis for crop insurance claim, damage assessment due to cyclone, drought, flood and forewarning, crop stress detection, precision agriculture.

Reference:

- 1 **Introduction to Environmental Remote Sensing** – Barrett E. C.
- 2 **Remote Sensing Principles and Interpretations** – Sabins F. F.
- 3 **Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation** – Thomas M. Lillesand
- 4 **Modeling in Resource Management and Environment** - Sharma H.S. and Binda P.R.
- 5 **Genesis, Termination and succession in the life cycle of organizations** - Paul Brown M.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR DEMOGRAPHY AND HUMANITIES

Objective: *This course will enable the students to analyze demographic data, economic data, epidemiological data and others and use it for making spatially informed decision.*

Introduction: definition and its importance, spatial distribution of population according to age, gender, racial group and socioeconomic segregation, geo-ethnography, labour market exploration, health equality, crime analysis, GIS for demographic analysis, trade area analysis, site selection for shopping centres, facility management.

Health GIS: Spatial epidemiology: RS and GIS in study of epidemics and their control- (malaria, leprosy, polio, TB, filariasis, dengue, chikengunya, cholera, AIDs, cancer), disease mapping, bioterrorism, infectious disease modeling, Health facility location mapping, health and disease atlas of India.

Power and Other Networks: Power – site suitability assessment for power plants (thermal, hydroelectric, nuclear, mini-hydro electric power plants), wind power, and impact assessment, GIS in electricity distribution network; Telecommunication – applications of GIS in telecommunication industry; Transportation – vehicle routing and scheduling, vehicle tracking system, Tourism – GIS application in Tourism planning.

Archeology: Importance of Archeological and Heritage sites, spotting historical monument and archeological sites, Role of digital mapping and database development for heritage sites, Surveying and mapping methods for heritage sites, digital archeology., 3d visualization of Archeological and heritage buildings; Landscape Archaeology.

References

1. **Transportation Network Analysis** - Bell, M.G.H. and Iida, Y.
2. **Network Analysis in Geography** - Haggett, P. and Chorley, R.
3. **The Geography of Transport Systems** - Rodrigue, Jean-Paul
4. **Successful Tourism Management** - Seth, P.N.
5. **The Tourism System: An Introductory Text** - Mill and Morrison
6. **Remote sensing and urban analysis** - Jean-Paul Donnay, Michael John Barnsley
7. **Beyond the map: archaeology and spatial technologies** - Lock, G. and Harris, T.
8. **Digital Archaeology: Bridging Method and Theory** - Patrick Daly

OPEN ELECTIVE

PAPER: FUNDAMENTALS OF GIS AND GPS

Objective: *The concepts of GIS, components of GIS and application areas of GIS are comprehensively understood. Students will go beyond the conventional fundamentals in GIS and GPS and move forward into modeling and applications, including specialized GPS surveys for planning studies.*

Introduction: Definitions, History and development of GIS, components of GIS, applications of GIS; Coordinate Systems - Geographical Coordinate Systems, Projected Coordinate System, attribute data query, spatial data query, raster data query.

Data Models and Management: Data format: Raster and Vector data formats; Spatial Data Models –Vector and Raster data models, Non- Spatial Data Models, TIN model, input methods, editing, map scale, precision and accuracy.

GIS Modelling and analysis: Basic elements of GIS modeling; terrain mapping and analysis- DEM and TIN, contour, hill shading, slope and aspect, Spatial interpolation: kriging method, IDW, spline, trend, natural neighbor, Vector data analysis: buffering and overlay.

GPS and GNSS: definition, history, components; types and application of GPS, GLONASS, GALILEO, COMPASS; system segmentation – control segment, user segment, space segment, types of receivers; DGPS; GNSS: different GNSS, IRNSS - advantages and disadvantages.

References:

- 1 **An Introduction to Geographical Information Systems** - Ian Heywood
- 2 **Geographic Information Systems: A Management Perspective** - Aronoff, S.
- 3 **GIS - Fundamentals, Applications and Implementations** - Elangovan, K.
- 4 **Introduction to Geographical Information Systems** - Chang, Kang-Tsung
- 5 **Remote Sensing and GIS** - Bhatta, B.
- 6 **Geographical Information Systems** - Maguire, David J.
- 7 **Mathematical Modeling in Geographical Information System, Global Positioning System and Digital Cartography** - Sharma, H.S.

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THIRD SEMESTER

HARD CORE

PAPER: CLIMATE CHANGE AND GIS

Objective: *Climate change and its corollary global warming are the much talked-about these days for there is an impending danger to the earth we live in by the climate change caused primarily by the human activities on the earth. Climate change has already brought untold sufferings to the world that the world countries met several times to work towards a strategy for reducing global warming and the consequent climate change. This paper offers deep insights into the working of climate change and how to overcome it.*

Earth System Dynamics: Origin of Earth and its forms, Introduction to atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, lithosphere, and human interventions in earth system dynamics and operations, anthropogenic activities and global warming.

Climate Change, the Process: The physical science of climate change Climate System, Introduction, Concept, causes, effects, measures, importance of climate change, climate change and energy, climate change and emerging diseases, climate change and community.

Issues in Climate Change: Global warming, green house effect, carbon cycle, nitrogen cycle, water cycle, ozone depletion, floods, droughts, weather variations, sea level rise, El-NINO and La-NINA, changing ecosystems, snow / glaciers melting.

Geoinformatics Applications: Concepts of Hazards, risks and vulnerability; their analysis relating Climate projections and their uncertainties; to global warming, floods and droughts, and weather variations, ecosystems changes, and snow/glaciers melting, energy studies, health and diseases studies and other case studies (at least 5).

References

- 1 **Climate Change: A Multidisciplinary Approach-** Burroughs, W.J.
- 2 **The Suicidal Planet: How to Prevent Global Climate Change-** Mayer Hillman,
- 3 **Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature, and Climate Change-**Kolbert, Elizabeth.
- 4 **Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the way we make things** William McDonough,
- 5 **Integration of GIS, remote sensing, Photogrammetry and cartography: the Geoinformatics approach** -Ehlers, M.

HARD CORE (PRACTICAL)

PAPER: PROGRAMMING FOR GIS

Objective: *Programming for GIS practical paper is targeted to the students who have no or very little programming knowledge and experience. The goal of this practical is to get students familiar with programming concepts and constructs, automate the daily workflow adapted in geospatial academia and industries.*

Introduction to programming: Programming concepts, problem-solving techniques, Programming Language vs. Presentation Language with examples; Command Line and GUI based programming; Language translators; Coding, Error handling, Role of Programming in GIS.

Basics of Python Programming: Introduction to Python, Installing Python 2.7 Interpreter, importing various libraries, working with numbers, variables, writing statements, strings, lists, use of python objects, functions, methods, paths, built-in modules, external modules, controlling flow with conditional statements, looping structures, getting user input, commenting scripts and error handling.

Python for GIS: Geoprocessing with Python, Importing ArcPy, use of built-in tools, setting environments, tool messages, working with vectors and its geometries, raster data handling, batch processing, Map automations, working with toolbox, model builders and development of Graphical User Interfaces(GUI), development of python addins for ArcMap.

Programming for WebGIS: Basics of HTML, CSS and JavaScript for WebGIS Programming; Introduction to Leaflet JavaScript API, Geoserver, OpenLayers. Working with Leaflet, Installation of Geoserver, Creating Snippet codes, Configuring Bootstraps, code deployment and hosting in local/cloud servers, Physical Server Setups, Domain Purchasing, working with cPanel, URL Redirections, Leech protection.

Reference:

- 1. ArcPy and ArcGIS – Geospatial Analysis with Python;** Silas Toms
- 2. Getting to Know ArcGIS: Model Builder;** David W. Allen, ESRI
- 3. Getting to Know WebGIS:** Pinde Fu, ESRI
- 4. Learning PHP, MySQL, and JavaScript:** Robin Nixon
- 5. Learning Python(5th Edition):** Mark Lutz
- 6. OpenLayers Cookbook;** Antonio Santiago Perez
- 7. Programming ArcGIS 10.1 with Python Cookbook;** Eric Pimpler
- 8. Python for Informatics;** Charles Severance
- 9. Python Geospatial Development(2nd Edition);** Erik Westra
- 10. Python Scripting for ArcGIS -** Paul A. Zandbergen, , ESRI
- 11. Spatial Mathematics, Theory and Practice through Mapping:** Sandra LachArlinghaus and Joseph J. Kerski

HARD CORE

PAPER: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Objectives: *Research methods that are common in all kinds of scientific research will be handled, and the students will be experienced in a range of quantitative and qualitative research methods. The students will also gain knowledge and aiming to provide a valuable tool for them in academic writing. In other hand, Project Management is designed to address the growing complexities of corporate projects and incorporates key project management tools and techniques. Students will gain an understanding of the core competencies required by project managers to drive projects to a successful conclusion.*

Basics of Research: Research: Meaning, definition, objectives, characteristics, types, steps involved in Research, Research ethics, motivations, approaches, significance, research and scientific methods, research process, criteria of good research, research problem, research questions, statement of problems, objectives formulation, Research design, review of literatures., Basics of SPSS.

Qualitative and Quantitative Research: Research methods versus methodology, Qualitative Research, quantitative research, mixed research methods; Sampling Scheme and methods, data collection and types, Hypothesis, testing of hypothesis, limitations of the tests of hypothesis. Interpretation of Results, charting, tabulation, documenting – reports, thesis, journals and its structure.

Business Strategies and Project Management: Corporate Projects, Project Management (PM), Program Management, Portfolio Management, PM Framework, PM Skills, Interpersonal Skills Management, PM Methodologies, Organizational System, Project Life Cycle and its Phases, PM Process, Procurement Process, Contracting, Strategic Planning and use of PERT/CPM, Scope of a Project, Project Charter; Resource Levelling, Communication Planning, Project Status Reporting.

Risk, Quality, Budget and Time Management: Work breakdown structure (WBS), Activity Sequencing and Network Diagrams, Gantt Charts for Time Management; Project Cost Estimation and Tracking, Management, Project Resources, Cost Control and Earned Value Management (EVM); Quality Planning, Assurance, and Control; Project Risk and Change Management; Integration management and Final Deliverables. Case studies of GIS and other related projects.

Reference:

1. **A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge PMBOK 5th Edition** – Project Management Institute (PMI)
2. **Geospatial Technology Project Management** - Open Courseware, Penn State University
3. **GIS Research Methods: Incorporating Spatial Perspectives**-Sheila Lakshmi Steinberg
4. **Information Technology Project Management, 8th Edition**-Schwalbe
5. **Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques** - Kothari, C. R.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR URBAN PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

Objective: *To understand the concepts and principles and use the tools and techniques of GIS for efficient planning and management of urban area.*

Urban Planning and Mapping: Importance and types of plans, urban and regional planning, LU/LC mapping, GIS data modeling for urban design, urban infrastructure, urban site selection for urban development, site suitability analysis for utilities and civic amenities; Urban mapping: physical structure and composition of urban areas, urbanization process, growth trend, problems of urbanization, urban sprawl and associated problems.

AM/FM applications: GIS applications in Automated Mapping (AM) and Facility Management (FM), water and sewage related, GIS based urban water demand analysis, pipeline planning and alignment, electric and power supply related, telecom applications, radio coverage prediction, signal strength mapping.

Demography and Urban Governance: Population distribution map by age, gender, education, occupation, socio-economic grouping, health criteria index, crime rates and types; Urban governance: mapping administrative boundaries, city base map generation, property enumeration and property GIS, tax revenue rationalization, metropolitan information management system.

Urban Ecology Applications: Air quality indexing and mapping, monitoring atmospheric haze, smoke, toxic gas movement and prediction of vulnerable zones, noise pollution zonation, natural resources inventory and management, vegetation, soil, surface water and groundwater conservation, site suitability for groundwater recharging and rain water harvesting, urban area heat budgeting.

References

1. **Action Planning for Cities: A Guide to Community Practice** - Hamdi, Nabeel
2. **Applied Remote Sensing for Urban Planning, Governance and Sustainability** - NetzbandMaik
3. **Remote Sensing of Urban and Suburban Areas** - TarekRashed, CarstenJürgens
4. **Remote sensing and urban analysis** - Jean-Paul Donnay, Michael John Barnsley
5. **Urban Remote Sensing** - QihaoWeng, Dale A. Quattrochi
6. **Radar Remote Sensing of Urban Areas, Remote Sensing and Digital Image Processing** - SoergelUwe
7. **Analysis of Urban Growth and Sprawl from Remote Sensing Data** - BasudebBhatta

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Objective: *This course will enable the students to use RS and GIS tools in the integrated water resource management, oceanography, glaciology and watershed development.*

Introduction: Hydrology – definition and its importance, hydrological cycle, water budgeting, water demand estimation, surface water bodies, water content in ocean, sea, ice, lakes, dams, tanks, rivers and ground; Water resource scenario in India and Karnataka, RS and GIS applications in water resources development and management.

Oceanographic studies: Definition, concepts and importance of ocean, ocean resources, ocean process, satellite and sensors for ocean studies, sea ice monitoring, estimation of wind velocity and direction, sea surface temperature, salinity, ocean colour, phytoplankton and seaweed mapping, potential fishing zones, suspended sediment and bathymetry mapping.

Meteorology, Glaciology and Surface Fresh Water: Rainfall mapping, potential and actual evapo-transpiration, atmospheric water content, cloud mapping, rain forecasting, water quality parameters, cyclone forecasting; Glaciology: monitoring of snow melt and snow formation, snowmelt runoff estimation, estimation of damages; Surface Fresh Water: river diversion studies, site suitability for surface storages and hydro-electric power plants, storage yield analysis and reservoir sizing.

Irrigation and Watershed: Mapping and monitoring of catchment and command areas, land irrigability mapping, agriculture water demand estimation for different crops, tank information system, wetland mapping, siltation mapping; Watershed: delineation, morphometric analysis, rainfall-surface runoff model, reservoir sedimentation, water-harvesting structures, watershed development planning, mapping of drought prone areas.

References:

1. **GIS for Water Resources and Watershed Management** - John G Lyon
2. **Application of GIS in Hydrology and Water Resources Management** - K.Kovar
3. **Geographic Information Systems in Water Resources Engineering** - Lynn E.Johnson
4. **Developments In Water Science – Water Resources Systems Planning and Management** - Jain S.K and Singh V.P
5. **Water, Waste water and Storm Water Systems** - U.M. Shamsi
6. **Introduction to Environmental Remote Sensing** – Barrett E C
7. **Remote Sensing principles and interpretation** – Sabins F. F.
8. **Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation** – Thomas M Lillesand

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Objective: *This course will enable the students to have a sound knowledge of application of remote sensing, GIS and GPS for understanding the changes in environment, monitoring the pollution affected areas.*

Introduction – Definition, scope and importance of environment; Ecosystems - introduction, types, characteristic features, structure and functions of Ecosystems – Forest, Grassland, Desert, Aquatic (lakes, rivers and estuaries); Energy resources – Energy needs; renewable and non-renewable energy sources; use of alternative energy sources; impact of energy use on environment.

Land and Soil application: Land Use Land Cover mapping, Natural Resources, Census, wetland mapping, land/soil degradation mapping, desertification mapping, soil quality, moisture, conservation measures, soil erosion and deposition modeling, land capability maps, land/soil irrigability mapping.

Water Resource: Siltation estimation and mapping, water colour, turbidity, water quality index mapping, point source pollution mapping, non-point source pollution modeling, eutrophication and water vegetation mapping, oil slicks tracing and monitoring sea turbidity; coastal, river and reservoir sedimentation mapping; ground water level, potential zones, vulnerability, contamination studies.

Air and other pollutions: Aerosol remote sensing, air quality indexing and mapping, dynamic air pollution modeling, mapping and measuring troposphere pollutants, spread and dispersion of smoke plumes from industries and power plants, forest fires, oil wells, bioterrorism, ecology of vectors of epidemics, mapping epidemics vulnerable zones.

References

1. **Introduction to Environmental Remote Sensing** – Barrett E. C.
2. **Remote Sensing Principles and Interpretations** – Sabins F. F.
3. **Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation** – Thomas M. Lillesand
4. **Environmental Impact Assessment: Cutting Edge for the 21st Century** - Gilpin, A.
5. **Environmental Impact Assessment** - Marriot, Cram
6. **Sustainability and Cities. Overcoming Automobile Dependence** - Newman, P. and Jeffrey
7. **Environmental Science Toward a Sustainable Future** - Wright, Richard T.

SOFT CORE

PAPER: GIS FOR SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH

Objective: *Students of GIS for Sustainable Development, in the context of, say, urban environment or resources management, needs to understand the research process which contributes to an informed critique of their fields of study and research. This self-study elective is not intended to give training in research techniques but rather to make students aware of a broad sweep of investigative analytical stages and techniques. This course is designed to introduce students to the principles, frameworks, and tools of sustainability in several modes.*

Sustainability Frameworks and Systems: Sustainability and Sustainable Frameworks; *Design is the Problem* (a class discussion); Exercise: Map any system, Field Trip: local garbage dump, recycling centre, or a waste (water, solid) processing plant to gain insights on sustainability question in the development contexts.

Resources Use: Co-creating new social compact; stakeholder needs interviews and analysis in the context of sustainability at the individual, family, community and area levels; Leading change through sustainability; Exercise: Further observations and field work in rural and urban communities (2 villages nearby and 2 urban neighbourhoods with typical urban problems).

Making the case for sustainability: Making the case internally: Real-World experiences; Making the case externally: Real-World experiences; Making the case externally: Building partnerships for sustainable development; Exercise: Class discussion on ‘Concept Generation, Brainstorming and Selection of strategies from the exercise’; Frameworks and approaches for gender matrix and stakeholder analysis.

Sustainability in a Greater Context: Class discussion of ‘Lessons Learned’, from the exercises and case studies; Skills assessment: Critical analysis skills, research skills, collaboration skills, discipline specific techniques skills; Understanding sustainability, meaning and value creation, creativity and critical thinking skills; Oral, written and visual communication skills.

Textbooks

- 1. Design is the Problem**, Shedroff, N. Rosenfeld Media, New York.
- 2. GIS for Sustainable Development**, Michele Campagna
- 3. Leading Change Towards Sustainability**, Doppelt, R.

OPEN ELECTIVE:

PAPER: BASICS OF REMOTE SENSING

Objective: *The objective of this paper is to understand the basic concepts of Remote Sensing and to impart to students the skills necessary for remote sensing analysis and interpretation.*

Introduction: Definitions, concepts and types of remote sensing, evolution and stages of remote sensing, advantages of remote sensing, spatial data acquisition, Electromagnetic spectrum, types and platforms of sensors.

Digital Image Processing: digital image, data formats of digital image, pre-processing, image classification, elements of visual interpretation, interpretation keys, generating thematic maps.

Remote Sensing Technologies: Thermal Remote Sensing, spatial, Passive and Active Microwave Remote Sensing; RADAR – definition, development, components; LiDAR – principles, components, accuracy.

Applications of Remote Sensing: Applications of remote sensing in agriculture, forestry, oceans and coastal monitoring, geology, hydrogeology and urban heat budgeting.

Reference:

1. **Remote Sensing and GIS** - Bhatta, B.
2. **Introduction to Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation;** Lillesand T.M.
3. **Introductory Remote Sensing** - Gibson, Paul. J.
4. **Digital Image Processing: A Remote Sensing Perspective** - Jensen, John R.
5. **Microwave Remote Sensing: active and passive** – Fawas T Ulaby, Richard K Moore
6. **Imaging Radar for resources surveys** – Travett J W

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PAPER: INTERNSHIP (4 - CREDITS)

Internships are done in a Government, research and implementation institution and / or a Private, Corporate institution of repute with specialization on the technologies of cartography, remote sensing, photogrammetry, LiDAR, CAD related, GIS and GPS, including Computer work in a prestigious lab. Internship must begin at the first week in the commencement of fourth semester and end with an eight 8-weeks (two months) from the date of joining.

HARD CORE (8 - CREDITS)

PAPER: MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECT

Project work, which is a major project of 3 full months or about 12 weeks, on a larger, manageable program of research, requiring a report of 90 pages including maps and diagrams and tables and text. Project work begins after Internships program .

- Seminars are a part of Internships and Project work in which seminars have specific purposes. Students make power point presentations on their chosen theme of research for project work, outlining the background, rationale and objectives of research, on their chosen Methodology and the rationale behind them and on their Draft Final report at the end of the 20th week of the semester (end of June) under the guidance and supervision of their tutors/advisors/guides.
- Field work and educational tours are also compulsory for the students and are conducted by the students with explicit guidance and supervision from the faculty members. They are better performed before the beginning of the second and fourth semesters.
- The students are very intensively engaged by the course works of Internship, Project work, seminars, field work and educational tours, with constant monitoring and evaluation of the work carried out by the teachers. Final seminar where the students make their presentations on their Final Project Report of their major research work will be jointly evaluated by two internal examiners / experts.