

# GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS, UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Program Code: UGCT-AS  
Cert Code: GIS

## Geosciences Department

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In today's world of computers, tablets, and smartphones there is an abundance of spatial data available that is applicable to many disciplines and careers. Spatial data identifies the geographic location of features and boundaries on Earth and is usually stored as geographic coordinates. The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) certificate will provide students with a background in spatial thinking, analysis, and mapping skills that will allow them to understand the application of geospatial technology to their discipline or career path. The geospatial skills and technology emphasized in the GIS certificate will enrich analysis and improve decision-making across disciplines.

## Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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### Required Courses (6 credit hours)

GEG/PLN 325	MAPS AND MAPMAKING USING GIS	3
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GEG 425	FUNDAMENTALS OF GIS	3
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### Elective Courses (9 credit hours)

Select two courses from the following (6 credit hours):		6
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GEG 418	REMOTE SENSING	
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GEG 428	ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN GIS	
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GEG 429	ADVANCED TOPICS IN GIS	
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GEG 485	INTERACTIVE AND WEB-BASED MAPPING	
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Select one course from the following (3 credit hours):		3
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Any course not selected to fulfill the above requirements

BIO 300	BIOSTATISTICS	
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CIS 151	COMPUTER PROGRAMMING I	
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CRJ 310	STATISTICS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE	
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ECO 305	STATISTICS FOR ECONOMICS	
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GEG 390	QUANTITATIVE METHODS IN GEOSCIENCES
HEW 326	INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH DATA VISUALIZATION AND ANALYTICS
MAT 311	INTRODUCTORY PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS
PSC 204	POLITICAL STATISTICS
PSY 350	STATISTICS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH
SOC 299	SOCIAL STATISTICS
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	
<b>15</b>	