



## **Revised Articulation Agreement**

# Trent University and Fleming College Joint Program

# **Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems**

#### Introduction

This document updates the information found in the "Trent–Fleming Joint Program in Geographical Information Systems (GIS)" agreement dated March 25, 1993. Hereafter, this collaborative effort will be referred to as the "joint program."

#### **Purpose**

The Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems is available to students in the Honours B.Sc. or B.A. program at Trent University in Geography or Environmental Science. The transcripts of students graduating with an Honours degree in Geography or in Environmental & Resource Science /Studies, who have successfully completed the requirements of the Emphasis, will contain the notation "with an Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems".

This document updates the 1993 agreement for the joint program and it reflects changes made to the Fleming College GIS program in 2004. The new program contains two streams for students who wish to graduate from the joint program. This agreement applies to students in the Application Specialist or Cartographic specialist streams.

# Objectives

- 1. Define the process of progression for students in the Trent-Fleming joint program in GIS. This agreement provides two options for students wishing to enroll in the GIS joint program (see Appendix).
- 2. Describe the review and assessment of this agreement in terms of the academic performance of the students, continuing validity of curriculum equivalence, academic integrity and other factors agreed upon by the two institutions.

## **Conditions and Terms of the Agreement**

- 1. Trent University and Fleming College will identify the individuals and committees responsible for overseeing the administration of the agreement.
- 2. A review will be carried out annually of the application procedures, courses, credit transfer, enrolment data, student performance and success rates and other issues pertinent to the success of the articulation agreement.

# Review of the Agreement

The articulation agreement will be reviewed on an annual basis. This agreement may be terminated by either party, provided notice of one year is provided. In the event of the termination of the agreement, every effort will be made to ensure that students currently enrolled in the program will not be affected.

## Signatures

For Fleming College

**For Trent University** 

Date

President:

Vice-President,

Academic:

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#### **Appendix**

# Option 1: Completion of Fleming Graduate Certificate and Trent Degree

Students returning to Trent having successfully completed the full 3-semester GIS-AS (Application Specialist) or GIS-CS (Cartographic Specialist) Graduate Certificate in the 3rd year of their Trent degree will receive seven full-credits in Geography or ERS at the 300-level. They then must complete three full-credits in their 4th year to fulfill the requirements of the single-major or joint-major degree, as outlined in the specific degree program requirements. "Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems (Applications)" or "Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems (Cartography)" will be noted on their Trent transcript.

# Option 2: Completion of Trent Degree with an Emphasis in GIS

Students who successfully complete Semesters 1 and 2 of the GIS-AS/GIS-CS Graduate Certificate at SSFC would return to Trent after Year 3, and receive five full-credits towards their Geography or ERS degrees, of which three will count as 300-level credits in their major and two will count as unassigned 300-level Science or Arts credits. However, because they will not have completed the three-semester Geographical Information Systems Application Specialist (GIS-AS) or Cartographic Specialist (GIS-CS) Graduate Certificate, they will instead receive an "Emphasis in Geographical Information Systems". This will be noted on their Trent transcripts. These students will be eligible to return to SSFC following completion of their Trent degree in order to complete Semester 3 of the GIS-AS or GIS-CS Graduate Certificate.

#### Notes:

- 1. Requests for review of the GIS co-op project will be considered on an individual basis for potential equivalency within Trent's honours thesis or community research placement requirements.
- 2. As of this agreement, the minimum grade required in all SSFC courses is 60%.