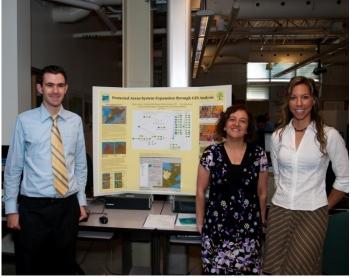


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GIS Post Graduate Program 2018 Orientation



Agenda

- The GIS Team
- The Program Courses and Schedule
- Communications and Fleming Services
- Program Testing and Responsibilities
- Survey Camp (Bark Lake, China, Online)
- Collaborative Projects
- Optional Conferences
- FAQ
- Final Thoughts and Date Summary



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The Academic Team

Technologists

- Kevin Rabjohn
- Tim Wykes

Bean Counters

- Brett Goodwin
 - Dean, SENRS
- Rick Gray
 - Academic Chair (until October)
- Shawn Morgan
 - Program Coordinator

Fall Professors

- Frank Kenny
- Karen Whillans
- Lawrie Keillor-Faulkner¹
- Marikka Williams
- Pauline Norris¹
- Shawn Morgan
- 1: Denotes part time

1st Semester: Common between all programs

- GIS Database Principles
- Remote Sensing and Image Analysis
- Problem Solving and Programming
- Web Design And Programming
- Geovisualization I
- Spatial Analysis I
- Geodesy
- Surveying and CAD Mapping
- Survey Camp (Week 9)



2nd Semester courses: 4 common courses

GIS Applications Specialist

- GIS Cooperative Project Planning And Management
- Advanced Remote Sensing
- Web GIS Development
- Environmental Modeling
- GIS Database Development
- Customization of GIS Applications
- Spatial Analysis II

GIS Cartographic Specialist

- GIS Cooperative Project Planning And Management
- Advanced Remote Sensing
- Web GIS Development
- Environmental Modeling
- Geovisualization II
- Web Communication
- Municipal GIS

3rd Semester (2.5): (2 months)

Everyone:

 GIS Collaborative Project

GIS Applications Specialist:

- GIS Data Management GIS Cartographic Specialist:
- Geovisualization III



Academic Schedule

- June 21st, 2019
 - GIS Open House and Last Day of the program
 - Attendance Is Required!
 - Online students must be in Lindsay*
 - Not attending is possible, but think of this like missing a test and having to do alternative work

https://flemingcollege.ca/admissions/academic-schedule

Communications

- College <u>http://Mycampus.flemingcollege.ca</u>
 - Schedule, Official messages from College (like school closures)
 - Access your "H" Drive through "FILEWAY"
- **Program** <u>https://department.flemingcollege.ca/program-gis</u>
 - General information about being in the program (Awards!)
- **Course** Brightspace (Desire2Learn) <u>http://fleming.desire2learn.com</u>
 - Official course pages which instructors' monitor
 - Dropbox for most submissions
 - Quizzes for Tests, Exams and Quizzes
 - Marks for tracking your progress

Course Outline

- The official course plan, requirements and breakdown of marks
- If any other communication differs, this document takes priority
- Important to read and keep a copy for future reference
- Virtual Skype For Business
 - Online and In-person can instant message
 - Requires a microphone to "call" and webcam to "video call"
- Email first.last@flemingcollege.ca
 - Students must use their official Fleming email address

H Drive

- 3GB of space allocated for coursework
- It is a network drive that follows you to any Fleming lab computer
 - Online students can access their H drive through the Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI)
 - You can upload and download files using Mycampus website
 - <u>https://mycampus.flemingcollege.ca/group/por</u> <u>tal/fileway-h-</u>
- BACKUP BACKUP BACKUP! (Onedrive?)

Computers

- Log in using your "fleming" username and password
 - Beware of a rogue <<Space>> before usernames when logging in
- One computer is available per student in courses
- Teaching Labs are not exclusive to the post-graduate GIS program
 - Please be prepared to vacate if a different class is using the room/stay if not being used for teaching
 - Frost campus is open 7am-11pm daily
 - You can also use the computers outside of the teaching times
 - You may use computers at the Peterborough Campus (Beware, limited "Frost" images means software may not be available)
- VDI (Online students) virtual lab is identical to in-person lab
 - Students Online can also come use student computer labs in-person, but cannot attend in-person labs or classes without instructor permission
 - In-person student cannot access VDI due to licensing restrictions around numbers of connections

Exams, Tests and Quizzes

- The course outline details when evaluations occur
- It is your responsibility to be present and ready to complete the necessary tasks
 - Approved or unforeseen accommodations are possible, contact the instructor ASAP
 - Major issues with limited communication? Contact Shawn (Coordinator) ASAP and he'll relay it to all professors.
- Some evaluations occur in Lectures, labs and some in "Testing Centre"
- Online students are encouraged to attend in-person evaluations, but it does require space and permission from the instructor
 - Those evaluating from home will have strict protocols to adhere to. Any deviation is considered academic dishonesty and subject to severe penalties.
 - At least one evaluation per course will require online students to be invigilated, which students must travel to and pay any costs associated with the service.
- Watch for more details on Invigilation in your email

Your Responsibility at Fleming

- Student Rights and Responsibilities
 - <u>https://department.flemingcollege.ca/srr/</u>
 - Respect students, faculty, staff, and the facility
- <u>https://flemingcollege.ca/PDF/Fleming-College-</u> <u>Academic-Regulations.pdf</u>
 - Copying a file, code, paragraph, or any other works of another student is considered plagiarism.
 - Getting HELP from another student (where it is not explicitly prohibited by the task) is okay. Never submit anothers' WORK OR IDEAS as your own.
 - Always document and communicate peer help in your submissions

What is generally encouraged

- Helping each other through technical challenges
- Discussing class lectures and labs for deeper understanding
- Comparing final results and discussing differences
- Sharing unmodified downloaded documents/data from D2L etc
 - ** These are just examples. Always consult with your instructor for clarification**

What is NOT permitted

- Working together on an individual task
- Individually doing all of the work for a group
- Copying or sharing analysis results, files and programming/markup code
- Providing any analysed data to others'
- Using the internet or communicating with anyone during any evaluation where it is not permitted
- Communicating the questions or answers to evaluations to those in later lab sections
 - ** These are just examples. Always consult with your instructor for clarification **

Survey Camp - Bark Lake

- October 29th through November 1st
 Academic Week 9
- Included is a Bus from Fleming Frost campus
- Course Code APST87

 Has \$300-400 included fees associated with this course







Survey Camp in China



- Complete Survey Camp in China
- Approximate cost \$2,000cdn
- Visit Beijing and Kaifeng
- Stay and work with Chinese professors and students at



Survey Camp - Online

- Recommend attending Bark Lake or China
- Self-directed tasks completed during Week 9
- Ideally you work as a crew with others nearby
- APST142 (Equivalent to APST87)
 - This code has no fees associated with it, but no rights to attend Bark Lake.
- Want to attend Bark Lake?
 - Requires Switch to APST87 for attending Bark Lake, which will require \$~400 in fees

Applying For China

- Only 10 student opportunities available
 - If interest is greater than number of open spaces then a lottery will be conducted
 - Requires positive academics be maintained up to departure
- You are responsible for travel and some accommodation costs
 - Flights booked, travel visa application required, and logistical planning as a group
 - Kaifeng Accommodations and Food, group tours and some incidentals are covered using camp fee
- To commit, scan/take photo of Passport and email/show Shawn Morgan by Start of Week 2 (September 10th) <u>shawn.morgan@flemingcollege.ca</u>
 - Proof of Valid Passport with Expiry date no earlier than April 2019

Camp Summary

- Bark Lake is main survey camp opportunity

 Fees included in APST 87 course
- China (YRCTI) is International experience
 - Fees used for some items, majority of travel costs paid by student (APST 142)

- Any remainder in fees are returned to students

- Online equivalent
 - No auxiliary fees, self-directed for Online students who cannot attend one of the two above (APST 142)

GIS Collaborative Project

- The best part of GIS Specialist programs Timeline:
- January to April semester
 - students choose projects and write their project proposal in teams of 3.
- May and June semester
 - Collaborative projects are completed (full time!)
- Supplied by GIS industry, municipality and government clients
- further develop and apply GIS knowledge while encouraging independent learning, time management skills and the importance of teamwork. http://geocommunity.net

http://projects.geocommunity.net

Esri Canada Toronto Conference

- Wednesday October 10th 2018 (one day only)
- 7:30am through 5pm near Toronto Airport
- \$35 conference fee
 - paid in advance only, \$140 regular fee applies after October 8th
- Toronto Congress Centre 650 Dixon Road Toronto, ON, M9W 1J1
- Conference focuses on GIS career professionals
 - Networking with those who will HIRE you!
 - Classes will be rescheduled for this one day

https://esri.ca/en/events/user-conferences/esri-canada-user-conference-toronto-2018



- Can I work while taking the program?
 - Past students recommend against this, at least for the first semester. Students have said Part-time jobs with very flexible schedules can work.
- I can work in May and June, right?
 - With only two courses, it might seem so. It is not—your collaborative project requires your attention for 4 days. Students taking employment during this time regularly fail the Collaborative Project and hurt their chances at good employment after
- Independent Learning Week??
 - Generally vacationing is discouraged. This time is a normally scheduled week with only classes cancelled. The labs are still open, and you are encouraged to continue working on assignments and preparing for the back-half of the semester.
- Who do I complain to about to about my marks?
 - This is a post-graduate program. We do expect a level of professionalism. There is a formal appeal process which requires you to first talk with your instructor, then coordinator, and finally the Academic Chair. You must have documentation backing your claim.
- What Scholarships and Awards are available?
 - See our department website <u>https://department.flemingcollege.ca/program-gis/awards/</u>

Getting Help

- On Campus
 - Computer Labs and public areas have Cameras and regular patrols, but don't leave valuables unattended
 - Security is available by dialing for Non-emergency x8000.
 - Dial x4444 for an emergency on campus phone, or contact 911 from a non-campus phone.
- Personal Counselling
 - This program is intense. PLEASE take care of yourself, mind and body. If you need to talk with someone to help manage stress, contact <u>https://department.flemingcollege.ca/counselling/</u>
- Academic Counselling and Tutoring:
 - Please use this valuable service by booking times with the tutor, who is a past-graduate of the program. <u>http://flemingcollege.ca.libguides.com/taas</u>
 - If you need to talk with someone or are requiring a regular accommodation, please seek out Academic Counselling first <u>https://department.flemingcollege.ca/aes/aes-online-services/</u>

\$\$\$ Want to be a peer tutor for this or other programs? Contact <u>Kathleen.Conway@flemingcollege.ca</u>

Final Thoughts

- The GIS Program is as much about the content as it is the people around you.
 Get to know them and be supportive, help and listen.
- Plan your "workday" and include breaks, fun and healthy eating.
- Got a question? ASK! Your instructor, a tech, fellow classmate or Google!

Questions?

Program Specific Dates:

Date	Description
October 10 th	Esri Professional Conference (Optional, classes rescheduled)
October 22 nd	Week 8 Beginning of Independent Learning Week (no classes)
October 29 th	Week 9 Field Camp week (Bark Lake, China and Online)
November 5 th	Back to normal Fall class schedule
June 21 st 2019	GIS Open House – Team Attendance @ Frost Campus required!

More Dates: <u>https://flemingcollege.ca/admissions/academic-schedule</u>

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