

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

Country

Norway

Host Institution

University of Oslo

Program(s)

University of Oslo

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Geography

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

UCEAP Transcript Title

GEOG INFO SYSTEMS

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

Geographical Information Systems (GIS) is a computer system designed to collect, manage, edit, analyze and present spatial information. This course introduces the basic concepts and methods in mapping, spatial analysis, and GIS that enable students to make use of GIS software to study social phenomena. The following concepts are covered: an introduction to cartography and GIS; map design and visualization; map projections and spatial representations; GIS project design and implementation; collection and management of spatial data; spatial analysis and statistics; network analysis; qualitative GIS; uncertainty and how to deal with it; and open source data and software. A series of seminar exercises enables students to make practical use of GIS with hands-on experience. Throughout the course, students learn how to develop spatial research questions and how to conduct spatial analysis using ESRI ArcGIS Pro software and different open-source alternatives. A group project integrates the concepts covered in the lectures with experience from the seminars to explore a current research question.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SGO1910

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Social Sciences

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology and Human Geography

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