

# **Environmental Geomatics**



### **Adding Value to Your Environmental Team**

Geomatics, the science of spatial analysis using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and remotely sensed imagery, is a core component of the rapidly growing information sector worldwide. The Environmental Geomatics program at Guelph offers students the opportunity to study the processes and properties of the biophysical environment and provides them with a core foundation in the analytical techniques used for interpretation, analysis and presentation of geographical data. Students combine field research with image analysis and computer modeling to specialize in the spatial analysis of environmental systems and apply these techniques to examine human-environment interactions and address human impacts on the environment.

#### **University of Guelph Advantage**

- The Environmental Geomatics co-op program combines formal classroom instruction with highquality experience-based learning opportunities that take students into the field and into the community.
- Guelph is home to internationally acclaimed faculty who produce high quality research and are award-winning teachers.

Students do not begin their first work term until they have completed 2 years of study and have mastered the core competencies needed to be successful in their work terms. Students are available for up to four work terms (4 or 8 months) and employers can post, interview and hire throughout the semester. The Experience Guelph hiring tool makes hiring Guelph co-op students easy!

### **Student Strengths**

- Ability to analyze the earth as an integrated human-environment system by examining dynamic flows, interactions and exchanges at different spatial and temporal scales.
- Trained in collecting and analyzing geographical data and interpreting its significance within the context of human-environment relations.
- Skilled in the use of field equipment (e.g., streamflow gauging, landscape surveying, environmental monitoring).
- Experienced with communicating geographical concepts and data effectively using oral, written and visual forms.
- Ability to collaborate effectively as a team leader and member to pursue innovative solutions to environmental problems.

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# **Environmental Geomatics Course Sequencing**

YEAR	FALL (SEPT-DEC)	WINTER (JAN-APRIL)	SUMMER (MAY-AUG)
ONE	GENERAL CHEMISTRY I     DISCOVERING BIODIVERSITY     EARTH: HAZARDS AND GLOBAL CHANGE     PHYSICS FOR LIFE SCIENCES     CALCULUS I OR ELEMENTS OF CALCULUS I	INTRODUCTION TO MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY     GENERAL CHEMISTRY II     INTRODUCTION TO THE BIOPHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT     PHYSICS FOR THE LIFE SCIENCES II     1 LIBERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVE	OFF
TWO	INTRODUCTION TO     CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION     FUNDAMENTALS OF     ENVIRONMENTAL GEOLOGY     GEOMORPHOLOGY     THE EARTH FROM SPACE     MAPPING AND GIS     STATISTICS I	CLIMATE AND THE BIOPHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCES REMOTE SENSING OF THE ENVIRONMENT ONE OF: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTING, OR INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING, OR CALCULUS II OR ELEMENTS OF CALCULUS II  1 SCIENCE ELECTIVE	WORK TERM ONE
THREE	BIOGEOGRAPHY     FLUVIAL PROCESSES     BIOTIC AND NATURAL     RESOURCES     GIS AND SPATIAL ANALYSIS     1 SCIENCE ELECTIVE     1 LIBERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVE	WORK TERM TWO	ENVIRONMENTAL HYDROLOGY     INDEPENDENT STUDY IN     GEOGRAPHY     ONE OF: GLOBAL     ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE     OR INDIGENOUS-SETTLER     RELATIONSHIPS IN     ENVIROMENTAL GOVERNANCE     2 ELECTIVES
FOUR	WORK TERM THREE	WORK TERM FOUR	OFF
FIVE	ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS     ANALYSIS     3 SCIENCE ELECTIVES	CATCHMENT PROCESSES     APPLIED GEOMATICS     2 SCIENCE ELECTIVES	

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