

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY
University Senate

Resolution on New Self-support Geospatial Certificates

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RESOLVED: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University recommends to the Provost that two new self-support Geospatial Certificates, as described in Curriculum forms 14-148, be approved; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Academic Oversight for the Certificate will reside with the GSP Steering Committee.

RATIONALE: *The ICC is convinced that the curriculum for this certificate is sound, and that there should be sufficient student interest in the program. Furthermore, the Provost has determined that all new Certificate programs must be offered through the College of e-Learning and Extended Education, which means that if enrollment is not sufficient, the program will not be offered.*

A summary of the curriculum:

Basic Geospatial Certificate

GSP 101/101L: Geospatial Concepts

GSP 216: Intro to Remote Sensing

GSP 270: Intro to GIS

GSP 316: Cartography

GSP 370: Intermediate GIS

Total: 15 units

These will all be offered as online, self-support, 8-week courses. Students will be able to complete the Certificate in one year.

Advanced Geospatial Certificate

GSP 326 Intermediate Remote Sensing

GSP 330: Mobile Mapping

GSP 426: Cartographic Practicum

Plus 6 units of more advanced electives

Total: 13 units

At first students wishing to complete this certificate will enroll in existing face-to-face GSP courses through Open University. (These courses do have sufficient space available to make that possible.) Eventually, the goal is to have online, fully self-support versions of these courses as well.