

until at least the last three weeks of the semester or summer session. Negligence or indifference are not acceptable reasons for an I grade. Normally, a student will initiate a request for an incomplete.

6 Course schedule

The course will proceed by weekly topics. Tuesdays will be focused on direct instruction and workshop-style learning. Thursdays will be reserved for lab led by your TA. the following course schedule is preliminary.

1	Aug 27-29	What is GIS? First contact with ArcGIS Pro	
2	Sep 3-5	Basic geodesy, GPS, and measuring things: location, distance, area, depth, time	
3	Sep 10-12	Coordinate systems and projections	Q iz 1 due Tue 2pm
4	Sep 17-19	Data and file formats for feature collections	Q iz 2 due Tue 2pm
5	Sep 24-26	Analyzing attribute data	Q iz 3 due Tue 2pm
6	Oct 1-4	Creating and editing vector GIS data	Q iz 4 due Tue 2pm
7	Oct 8-10	Containers and databases for vectors and rasters	Q iz 5 due Tue 2pm
8	Oct 15-17	Mid-term sample exams	Mid-term exam during lab & Q iz 6 due Tue 2pm
9	Oct 22-24	Digital elevation models	Q iz 7 due Tue 2pm
10	Oct 29-31	Georeferencing rasters	Q iz 8 due Tue 2pm
11	Nov 5-7	Supervised classification	Q iz 9 due Tue 2pm
12	Nov 12-14	Geospatial analysis and spatial joins	Q iz 10 due Tue 2pm
13	Nov 19-21	Map layouts and cartography	Q iz 11 due Tue 2pm
14	Nov 26	Finals preparation	NO LAB (Thanksgiving)
15	Dec 3-5	Wrap-up	Finals during lab & Q iz 12 due Tue 2pm

7 Course policies

- Lecture notes and lab assignments for each week will be posted online via Blackboard
- Please let the instructor know as early as possible if you cannot attend a lab. Students assigned to either section are free to attend the other section's time slot for catch-up and practice, within the limit of available seats.
- The computer lab room, O'Neill 359 (overflow lab O'Neill 330), is at your disposal for practice between 9 am and 4:30 pm, except when occupied by other classes.
- Please note that the UAF academic misconduct policy regarding plagiarism, cheating, falsification and tampering does, of course, apply. See <https://uaf.edu/csrr/student-conduct/academic-misconduct.php>.

8 Course materials

This course does not use a set textbook. Occasional readings will be assigned in the course of the class. Finding and using software documentation online is part of the skills students are expected to practice during labs and study.

The course makes intense use of GIS software installed in the SNRE computer lab (O'Neill 359 and 330). The principal software we will use is ESRI ArcGIS Pro (version 2.4). ESRI provides temporary student licenses for home use by students. However, key learning objectives are largely independent of the particular software package used, and ArcGIS Pro is a resource-hungry application and requires a recent, powerful Windows workstation. If students wish to install GIS software on their personal computers, the following options exist:

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