Good day cartographers,

First stay tuned to this webpage for any updates: http://gis.unbc.ca/courses/geog-205/

There are two things to describe for the lab component of your GEOG205 course:

What's happening with the project?

Projects will be optional. You can decide to do one of the following project types:

- A map you can build with accessible data
- An expansion of assignment 6: pick a different or larger area and create a finished topographic map from federal data (more detail to follow)
- Thematic map: We are creating a dataset of BC/AB (western Canada) ski hills to enable a proportional map (similar to assignment 3)

For a project you require remote connection, suitable laptop/desktop and perhaps some TA-student collaboration; some may have access to their own software e.g. anyone can download QGIS: similar in options to ArcGIS but we don't expect you to learnt It at this stage.

Type 4: review / evaluate previous project maps
Alternatively, if you don't have access to the hardware requirements, you can choose instead to become the marker and assess previous students' maps in lieu of a project. Your review will be graded. We're aiming to make it a similar workload as the projects and you'd still practice your cartographic skills.

"So, you can choose to do a project or the grading assignment: to be the cartographer or the judge."

When you know how you'd like to be evaluated please inform your TA and cc to   wheate@unbc.ca

How are the assignments?

Done, except you may submit Assignment #7 if you have given it a try. For this you can mostly work on Google Earth Pro (sections 3-6, assignment part A).

And just to make sure we're all on the same page, your final mark will be calculated from:

Labs: up to 35% based on 6 labs, the 7th is optional. Then we'd adjust that 35% to a 40%

Midterms: 35%

Project/Reviewing maps: 25%

Feel free to ask questions. Since the syllabus contemplated the projects would begin as from the next lab session, please make your evaluation choice by then so we can assist.

Thanks to Sergio for creating this message