

## GEOG205

## Cartography and Geomatics, Winter 2025

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Tuesday 15:00-17.50 (3); Wednesday 11.30-14.20 (2) / Friday 11.30-14.20 (1)  
Lab / lecture notes: <http://gis.unbc.ca/courses/geog-205>

DATE	TOPICS	LABS
<b>January</b>		
Jan 6-10	Introduction; Map basics	
13-17	Map Coordinates; Data input	<i>Lab 1: Intro to mapping software</i>
20-24	Generalization; Symbolization,	<i>Lab 2: Topographic Maps / Data</i>
27-31	Lettering; Ancillary info	<i>Lab 3: Data input</i>
<b>February</b>		
Feb 3-7	Thematic maps- Points; Lines/Areas	<i>Lab 4: Symbolization-output</i>
10-14	Relief depiction; <i>Midterm (15%)</i>	<i>Lab 5: Thematic maps</i>
17-21	<b>Reading Week – no classes</b>	<b>No Labs</b>
24-28	DEMs; GPS	<i>Lab 6: Relief – DEMs</i>
<b>March</b>		
Mar 3-7	Remote sensing; Satellite images	<i>Lab 7: Web mapping</i>
10-14	Map projections; types and GIS	<i>Lab 8: Google Earth</i>
17-21	Mountain cartography; Projects	<i>Lab 9: Project – data assembly</i>
24-28	History of cartography; Digital age	<i>Lab 10: Project – data / design</i>
31-April 4	Course review; <i>Midterm2 (10%)</i>	<i>Lab 11: Project – complete map</i>
<b>April</b>		
7-11	<i>April 4 = Last day of classes</i>	<i>Projects due April 7</i>
8-17	<i>no final exam in exam period</i>	

### COURSE EVALUATION

Labs: 35% Lab assignments (7 x 5% each)  
Quizzes 15% Take home quiz: Jan 16; Feb 6; Mar 13 [3 x 5% ]  
Mid-terms: 25% Feb 13 / April 3 (15% / 10%)  
Map project 25% due April 7

**REFERENCES:** NO required text – see library books / websites on Cartography / mapping

*Selected webpages* **General and pre-midterm lecture topics**

Introduction/map data <https://tmackinnon.com/cartography>

GIS/mapping data: <https://canadiangis.com>

Ancillary information [http://www.wvu.edu/huxley/spatial/tut/what\\_all\\_maps\\_must\\_have.htm](http://www.wvu.edu/huxley/spatial/tut/what_all_maps_must_have.htm)

PGmap online: <https://pgmap.princegeorge.ca/Html5Viewer/index.html?viewer=PGMap>

BC iMap: <https://maps.gov.bc.ca/ess/hm/imap4m/>

Thematic Mapping: <https://geographyfieldwork.com/DataPresentationMappingTechniques.htm>