

## 28317 - Geographical information systems

### Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2017/18
Faculty / School	103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras
Degree	419 - Degree in Geography and Land Management
ECTS	9.0
Year	2
Semester	Annual
Subject Type	Compulsory
Module	---

### **1.General information**

#### **1.1.Introduction**

#### **1.2.Recommendations to take this course**

#### **1.3.Context and importance of this course in the degree**

#### **1.4.Activities and key dates**

### **2.Learning goals**

#### **2.1.Learning goals**

#### **2.2.Importance of learning goals**

### **3.Aims of the course and competences**

#### **3.1.Aims of the course**

#### **3.2.Competences**

### **4.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)**

#### **4.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)**

### **5.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources**

#### **5.1.Methodological overview**

The learning and teaching activities developed in this course are designed and programmed to promote the attainment of its objectives . They encompass a wide range of activities such as interactive lessons, practical exercises, individual or group activities, field work and private study , arranged in a logical sequence related to the creation, organization , analysis and use of geographic information . To acquire the skills of the subject, a high level of student participation will be required from all students throughout the course. Extensive material will be available *via* the Moodle site of the course. This offers a variety of resources including a repository of the lecture notes used in class, a course syllabus as well as

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other forms of course-specific materials, including a discussion forum.

### 5.2.Learning tasks

-Lecture sessions : 50 hours

-Interactive, individual or group activities : 40 hours

-Field work: 2 hours

-Directed activities: 50 horas

-Private study: 80 hours

-Assessment: 5 hours

### 5.3.Syllabus

#### Thematic Area I: Introduction. Data models. Data organization and management

0.Introduction : Teaching and learning " geographical information systems " in the degree of " geography and regional planning "

1. Context , components , definition and applications of geographical information systems  
2. The representation of geographical space in the GIS Data Models

3. Obtaining and organizing information . Creation and maintenance of geodatabases

#### Thematic Area II: GIS Functions for spatial analysis and visualization of geodata

4. GIS and geographical analysis : basic concepts  
5. Introduction to the analysis of vector data  
6. Modeling and basic raster data analysis  
7. Visualizing geodata in GIS

### 5.4.Course planning and calendar

The course is divided into 2 main thematic blocks. The first block includes the following themes: 0, 1, 2, and 3; it runs during the first 4 months of the term (September-January). The second thematic block includes the themes 4, 5, 6 and 7; it runs during the following four months (February-May).

For further details concerning the timetable, classroom and other information of the course please refer to the

"*Facultad de Filosofía y Letras*" web site (<http://fyl.unizar.es/>)

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Month	Written examinations	Activities	Month	Written examinations	Activities
<b>Sp</b>		Development of theoretical and practical activities of the topics 0 to 3	<b>Fb</b>		First week of February : Deadline for the formation of groups of final work practices.
<b>Oc</b>			<b>Mr</b>	Continuous assessment: second test of practical activities	
<b>Nv</b>			<b>Ap</b>		Field work at the IGEAR
<b>Dc</b>	Continuous assessment: first test of practical activities		<b>My</b>	Continuous assessment: third test of practical activities  Continuous assessment. Second partial test (themes 4-7)	Development of theoretical and practical activities of the topics 4 to 7 .  Preparation and monitoring practices final work
<b>Jn</b>	Continuous assessment. First partial test (themes 0-3 )				

### 5.5. Bibliography and recommended resources

#### 1. Basics Texts

- Bernhardsen, T. (2002): *Geographic Information Systems. An Introduction*, Jonh Wiley & Sons, Nueva York. (428 páginas)
- Bosque, J. (1992): *Sistemas de información geográfica*, Rialp, col.: *Monografías y tratados GER*, Madrid.
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### 2. Complementary text

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-Fuenzalida, M., Gustavo D. Buzai, Antonio Moreno-Jiménez, y A. García de León (ed.) (2015). *Geografía, geotecnología Y análisis espacial: Tendencias, Métodos Y Aplicaciones*. Santiago (Chile): Tirángulo. Se puede obtener en: [http://www.uahurtado.cl/pdf/Fuenzalida\\_et\\_al.\\_2015\\_Geografa\\_Geotecnologa\\_y\\_Analisis\\_Espacial.pdf](http://www.uahurtado.cl/pdf/Fuenzalida_et_al._2015_Geografa_Geotecnologa_y_Analisis_Espacial.pdf)

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### 3. Dictionaries and y Glosaries

- GIS Glossary : [http://wiki.gis.com/wiki/index.php/GIS\\_Glossary](http://wiki.gis.com/wiki/index.php/GIS_Glossary)
- González, R. 1994. *Diccionario de términos SIG*. Madrid: Instituto de Economía y Geografía, (IEG), CSIC.
- GIS Dictionary (ESRI): <http://support.esri.com/en/knowledgebase/Gisdictionary/browse>
- GISWEB (Universidad de Alcalá de Henares, the University of Melbourne): <http://www.geogra.uah.es/gisweb/>
- National Center for Geographic Information Analysis (NCGIA): <http://www.ncgia.ucsb.edu>

### 4. Scientific Journals

- GEOFocus : <http://geofocus.rediris.es/>
- Cartography and Geographic Information Systems* . Journal of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping
- GEO Europe*. (antes *GIS Europe*). The geographic technology magazine for the British Isles, mainland Europe, the Middle East and Africa: ( <http://www.geoplace.com> ).
- GEO Informatics*. Magazine for GEO-IT Professionals, GEO-IT, Holanda: ( <http://www.geoinformatics.com> )
- GeoSpatialSolutions: ( <http://www.geospatial-online.com> )
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- Mapping* . Revista de Cartografía, Sistemas de Información Geográfica, Teledetección y Medio Ambiente. Cartosig Editorial, S.L. Madrid.

### 5. Conference Proceedings

- Proceedings of "Conferencia Iberoamericana de Sistemas de Información Geográfica" (COFIBSIG)*:  
<http://www.gesig-proeg.com.ar/link-confibsig.htm>
- Proceedings of Working Group on "Geographical Information Technologies" (Asociación de Geógrafos Españoles" -AGE)*

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: <http://age.ieg.csic.es/metodos/>

### 6. Internet Data Servers

-Confederación hidrográfica del Ebro . SITEbro : Ebro Valley Territorial Information System  
<http://iber.chebro.es/sitebro/sitebro.aspx>

-Gobierno de Aragón. Instituto geográfico de Aragón (IGEAR). Geographical information and documentation (data, maps and geographical data) of Aragón: <http://idearagon.aragon.es>

-Instituto Geográfico Nacional. SIGNA: National Geographical Information system of Spain: <http://signa.ign.es/signa/>

### 7. GIS software

There are many software that can manage geographical information : some have a few functions for recording information and develop simple thematic maps ; at the other it was software that properly can be called GIS, which have a lot of functions analyze, structure and visualize geodata .

- ArcGIS v.xx : <http://www.esri.com/>

Otros programas SIG gratuitos

-Crime Stats&reg; III . (A Spatial Statistical Program for the Analysis of Crime Incident Location) :  
<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/CrimeStat/>

-Diva GIS . : <http://www.diva-gis.org/>

-Grass GIS . GRASS (Geographic Resources Analysis Support System): <http://grass.osgeo.org/>

- gvSIG . Sistema de información geográfica desarrollado por la "Asociación para la promoción de la geomática libre y el desarrollo de gvSIG". Es un programa libre, muy extendido por su gran capacidad para el análisis y visualización de información geográfica: <http://www.gvsig.org/web/>

-Quantum GIS . : <http://qgis.org/>

### 8. Other online resources

Internet has become an indispensable tool for disseminating geodata and geographical knowledge . Any search with the term " geographical information systems " ( GIS , SIG ) , or the word " mapping " ( cartography ) , produces numerous , sometimes excessive , references. Examples are listed below but , by the nature of the medium , it is advisable to

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periodically scan the network

In addition to the best-known general-purpose search engines , the following are of interest to query on geographical information.

<http://www.metacrawler.com>

<http://www.geoplace.com>

<http://www.gisdatadepot.com>