

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

Geometrical and space geodesy 310 (GMC 310)

| Qualification | Undergraduate |
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| Faculty | Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences |
| Module credits | 22.00 |
| Programmes | BSc Geography |
| | BSc Geoinformatics |
| | BSc Meteorology |
| Prerequisites | GMC110 and WTW 114/WTW 134 |
| Contact time | 2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week |
| Language of tuition | Afrikaans and English is used in one class |
| Academic organisation | Geography, Geoinf + Meteor |
| Period of presentation | Semester 1 |

Module content

Spherical trigonometry. Geometrical Geodesy: Datum surfaces and coordinate systems in Geodesy, Calculations on the ellipsoid, Datum transformations. Map projections: Projection principles, distortion determination, construction of conformal, equivalent and equidistant projections, the Transverse Mercator projection and UTM projection of an ellipsoidal earth, projection transformations. Space Geodesy: Time systems, Celestial and observer coordinate systems, Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS), Satellite orbits and orbital parameters, 3¬ D positioning. A project or assignments of at least 64 notional hours.

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