

**Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College  
COURSE OUTLINE FORM**

03/19/19

Please return this form to the college vice president of academic affairs and the chairperson of the Academic Affairs and Standards Council (AASC)

1. Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date revised 1/26/2022

4. Department/discipline: Physical Education/Geography

5. Department(s) endorsement(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signatures of the person(s) providing the endorsement are required.)

6. Course Title: Using GPS: Geocaching and Field Mapping  
Abbreviated course title for Transcripts (25 characters or less): Using GPS

7. Course Designator: PE/GEOG                      8. Course Level: 1054

9. Number of Credits: Lecture \_\_\_\_\_                      Lab 1 (repeatable)

10. Control Number (on site) 20                      Control Number (online) 20

11. Catalog/Course description:

Curious about how to use a GPS unit? This course will inform students about the Global Positioning System (GPS) through both conceptual and hands-on applications, such as geocaching and field data collection.

12. Course prerequisite(s) or co-requisite(s): Accuplacer scores/ Other courses

Prerequisite(s):

Co-requisite:

13. **Course Materials** (Recommended course materials and resources. List all that apply, e.g. textbooks, workbooks, study guides, lab manuals, videos, guest lecturers).

1. Text: Determined on a yearly basis depending on availability and content

2. Additional resources:

- a. Handheld GPS receivers or students' personal smartphones or tablets
- b. Desktop or laptop PCs
- c. Web GIS student accounts
- d. Outdoor activities locally
- e. Supplemental resources

14. **Course Content** (Provide an outline of major topics covered in course)

- 1. GPS Concepts – Satellites and the DoD
- 2. GPS Positioning Modes
- 3. Differential Corrections – Accuracy
- 4. Selective Availability – Accuracy
- 5. Pros and Cons of GPS
- 6. Datums, Coordinate Systems, and Map Projections

7. Who uses GPS and what are they using it for? (GPS Application)
8. Hands-on operation of a GPS receiver and mobile apps
9. Integrate position data collected with a GPS unit with Web GIS
10. Responsible geocaching

**15. Learning Goals, Outcomes, and Assessment**

At FDLTCC we have 4 Competencies Across the Curriculum (CAC) areas. They are as follows:

- A. Information Literacy (the ability to use print and/or non-print tools effectively for the discovery, acquisition, and evaluation of information.)
- B. Ability to Communicate (the ability to listen, read, comprehend, and/or deliver information in a variety of formats.)
- C. Problem Solving (the ability to conceptualize, apply, analyze, synthesize, and/or evaluate information to formulate and solve problems.)
- D. Culture (knowledge of Anishinaabe traditions and culture, knowledge of one’s own traditions and culture, knowledge of others’ traditions and cultures, culture of work, culture of academic disciplines and/or respect for global diversity.)

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

Learning Outcomes	Competencies (CAC)	Cultural Standards
Describe the global positioning system and how it works.	A, B	
Identify the differences between recreational-grade and map-grade GPS receivers.	A	
Identify applications of GPS.	A, B, C	
Operate a GPS receiver or mobile app to locate a geocache.	A, C	
Perform responsible geocaching.	C, D	
Collect data from the field	A, C	

**WINHEC Cultural Standards:**

1. **GIKENDAASOWIN – *Knowing knowledge:*** To develop human beings who value knowledge, learning, and critical thinking and are able to effectively use the language, knowledge, and skills central to an Ojibwe-Anishinaabe way of knowing.
2. **GWAYAKWAADIZIWIN – *Living a balanced way:*** To develop balanced human beings who are reflective, informed learners who understand the interrelatedness of human society and the natural environment, recognize the importance of living in harmony with creation, and are able to apply a systems approach to understanding and deciding on a course of action.
3. **ZOONGIDE'EWIN – *Strong hearted:*** To increase the students’ capacity to live and walk with a strong heart, humble and open to new ideas and courageous enough to confront the accepted truths of history and society.

- 4. **AANGWAAMIZIWIN – *Diligence and caution:*** To develop students’ capacity to proceed carefully, after identifying, discussing, and reflecting on the logical and ethical dimensions of political, social, and personal life.
- 5. **DEBWEWIN – *Honesty and integrity:*** To increase students’ capacity to think and act with honesty and integrity as they understand and face the realities of increasingly interdependent nations and people.
- 6. **ZAAGI' IDIWIN – *Loving and Caring:*** To encourage students' acceptance of the diversity within their school, community, and environment by developing healthy, caring relationships built on respect for all.
- 7. **ZHAWENINDIWIN – *Compassion:*** To expand students' knowledge of the human condition and human cultures and the importance of compassion especially in relation to behavior, ideas, and values expressed in the works of human imagination and thought.

16. **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC):** List which goal area(s) – up to two – this course fulfills.

See [www.mntransfer.org](http://www.mntransfer.org)

Goal Area(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Provide the specific learning outcomes as listed on the mntransfer.org website that pertain to this course.

17. Are there any additional licensing/certification requirements involved?

\_\_\_\_\_Yes\_\_\_\_\_No

Provide the required documentation to show course meets required licensing/certification standards.

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