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Program Code: 5028

Duration: Half year full time

Total Units: 8

Entry Requirements: Please refer to [GCGIS](#) future students page

Key Program Information

- This program can be used as a pathway for the:
 - [Graduate Diploma in Geographic Information Science \(GDipGIS\)](#)
 - [Master of Geographic Information Science \(MGIS\)](#)
- Some courses in this program may contain enrolment restrictions requiring permission from the Head of School or other approvals. Students are required to email the [School of the Environment](#) to gain approval for restricted courses before they can enrol on SI-Net.

Important Notes

The information contained in this document is intended as general advice only.

Students must follow the program rules & requirements listed on the [Programs and Courses Website](#). This planner must be used in conjunction with your program duration course list and program rules.

Students need to check the prerequisites, incompatibilities and restrictions for all courses they select in their study plan. Future course offerings are subject to change.

This document is not intended as a progression or graduation check. For further information on progression or graduation checks, please contact your school.

Further Assistance

Check out the [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) page on this study planner document.

If you need further advice or have other questions, please contact:

[School of the Environment](#)

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Semester 1 commencement

Step 1 Start with the base study plan outlining Flexible Core Courses

Year 1				
1 st Semester (Feb – Jun) <i>Semester 1</i>	GEOM7000* Introduction to Earth Observation Sciences (EOS) 2 units – <i>Flexible Core Courses</i>	GEOM7005* Geographical Information Systems 2 units – <i>Flexible Core Courses</i>	Option 2 units – <i>Flexible Core Courses</i> OR <i>Program Elective Course</i>	Option 2 units – <i>Program Elective Course</i>

*Recommended Flexible Core Course

Step 2 Decide on your Flexible Core Courses. Students must complete at least 4 units from Flexible Core Courses. However, student can choose to complete more Flexible Core Courses in the following step. Check the semester offerings for courses as your options may be limited by what courses are offered in the semester that you commence the program.

Step 3 Decide on further Flexible Core Courses or Program Elective Courses following one of the below combinations.

Students complete 4 units (in addition to units from Step 2) from one of the following:

- 2 units Flexible Core Course and 2 units Program Elective Course; **OR**
- 4 units Flexible Core Course; **OR**
- 4 units Program Elective Courses

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Step 4 Check prerequisites, incompatibilities, and restrictions for all courses you have selected in your study plan. You can click on the course codes above or find the course on the course list. You may need to adjust courses in your study plan at this step.

Please refer to the [GCGIS](#) course list for full course options.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is a prerequisite?

Please refer to: [What does 'prerequisite' mean in a course profile?](#)

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Please refer to: [What is a course profile?](#)

Where can I find the course profile?

Please refer to: [Where do I find the course profile for my course?](#)

Where can I find the course coordinator?

The course coordinator can be found on the course profile. Please refer to question "Where can I find the course profile?".

Can I study this program part-time?

International students on a student visa must study this program full-time, as per their visa conditions.

Domestic students may choose to complete the program part-time. Part-time students are required to develop their own study plan, however, if you would like assistance with this, please contact the [School of the Environment](#).

Can I study the Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Science online?

Yes, this program has the option to be completed online for students who are unable to attend campus.

External courses are delivered entirely online, and students must participate online for learning and assessment.

Note: students may be required to sit exams at a UQ campus or an approved off-campus exam centre.

What are the key semester dates for study in this program?

Please refer to the [Academic Calendar](#) for key dates throughout the year.

How do I enrol in courses?

Please refer to [Enrolment and class allocation](#) for detailed instructions on enrolling in courses for the upcoming semester.

How can I find out when my classes will be on?

Students can view the [2026 Public Timetable](#) online to see what the available classes will be on offer for the upcoming semester. Please see the question below for student's personal timetable.

How do I select my class times?

When the timetabling system is open for students to preference their classes, they can use the Timetable system via their [my.UQ dashboard](#). Please refer to [Enrolment and class allocation](#).