Geography 380-01 Introduction to Digital Cartography Fall 2018

Course Introduction and Outline

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Who is the instructor?

- ▶ Born in 1976, South Korea
- ▶ BA Social Studies (Geography) 1999, Ewha Womans University
- MA Geography 2001, Ewha Womans University
- PhD Geography 2009. Ohio State University
 - Research/Teaching assistant 2004-2009
- Faculty (Geography, CSULB) 2009-
 - Digital cartography & Geovisualization
 - Geographic Information Science
 - Uncertainty of spatial concepts
 - GIScience and art
- Language distance between English and Korean...



More clues...

- Past experiences
 - Ewha Womans University 1995-2001
 - ESRI Korea, Inc. 2001-2004
 - ArcGIS/ArcIMS courses, Instructor
 - Web-service GIS, Product manager
 - Technical support engineer
 - Mobile GIS
 - Ohio State University 2004-2009
 - GIScience and geovisualization
 - □ Uncertainty of exurban concept
 - □ Synchronous Objects project









Current activities at CSULB, Geography

- GEOG280 Introduction to Geospatial Techniques
- GEOG380 Introduction to Digital Mapping
- GEOG482 Map Design Presentation & GIS
- ▶ GEOG497/697/698 Directed Studies and Thesis
- GISC603 Cartographic Visualization

Research

- Geovisualization and analysis of spatio-temporal information (ex. dance)
- Spatial information and music
- Interactive/web-based visualization
- Uncertainty of undersea features



Now, why are you here...?

- Attendance check
- Brief introduction about yourself
 - Your name and major
 - Any reasons why you want to take this course
 - Do you have anything to learn from this course?



So, why study map interpretation & analysis?

- Well...
 - Maps are one primary means to communicate geographic findings
 - Geographers like to think that spatial location is extremely important
 - ...and maybe it is?
 - Something that is not spatial or aspatial



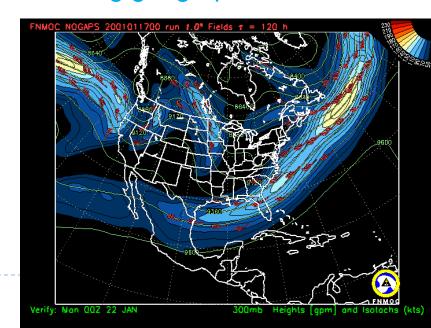
Usefulness of maps

For example:

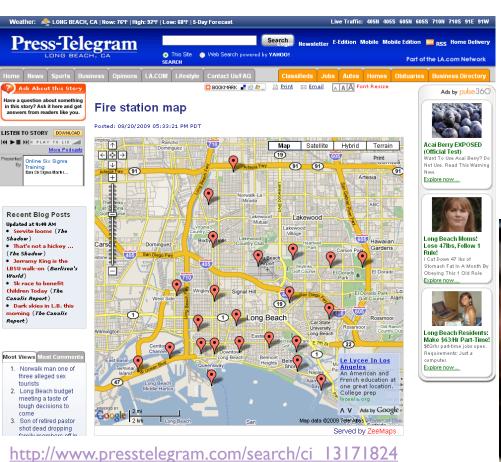
- Maps of climate, weather, population, land cover
 - show differences and similarities between places
 - set the context for studying geography (location!)
- We can also use maps to look at trends over time,
 e.g. climate, land cover, pollution, migration
- Maps can even be used as a basis for modeling geographic

phenomena, such as urban sprawl, climate change, biodiversity

- Recent technologies
 - Media, the internet, and organization of knowledge...



Newspaper and TV map examples

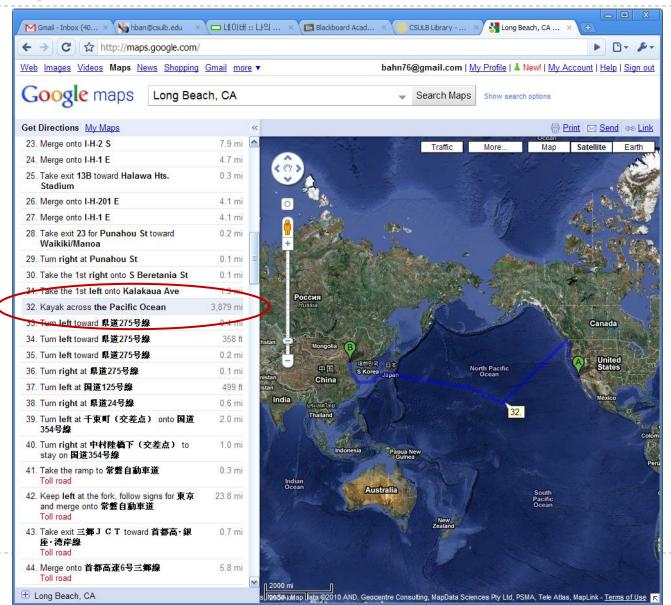


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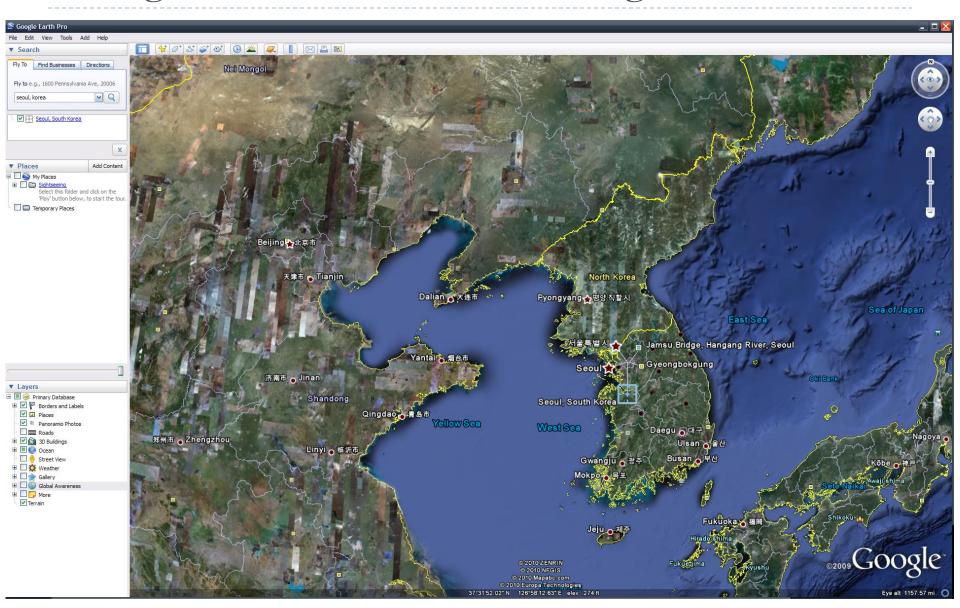


Driving directions



(found by 하우디)

Google Earth "world knowledge browser"



A number of issues

- Data availability for mapping
- Data analysis methods for mapping
- The round earth vs. a flat map
- Scale
- Generalization
- Design color, symbols, type, typography
- Etc

...will be treated in the course in an introductory level, and if you're interested in looking further into computer cartography and visualization topics further, consider taking GEOG482 (Map Design Presentation & GIS, in Spring) and GISC603 (Advanced Concepts in Presentation Cartography, in Spring)



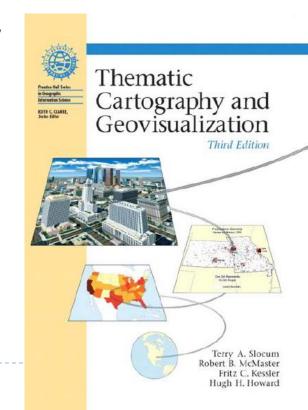
GEOG 380 - Course outline

Objective

 To learn basic principles of cartographic communication

Textbook

- Slocum T. et al. (2009), Thematic cartography and geovisualization, 3rd ed., Pearson Prentice Hall.
- (Reserved in the library)



GEOG 380 - Course objectives

How to read/interpret maps

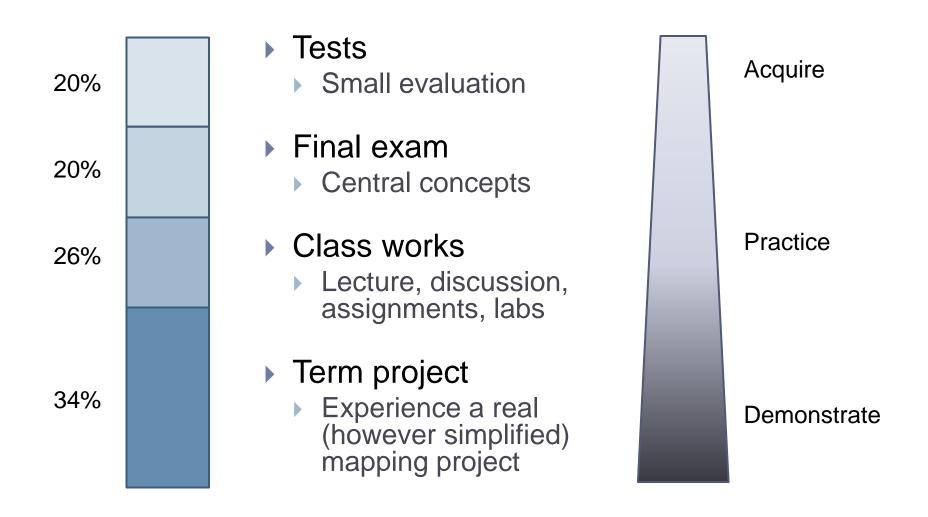
- Be able to read and understand different types of maps
- Critically evaluate maps and be able to articulate why it is good or bad

How to create good maps

- Know about elements of cartographic communication
- How and when to use different types of maps
- Understand some types of data analysis useful for mapping
- Make decisions about map design in a given situation



How to reach these objectives

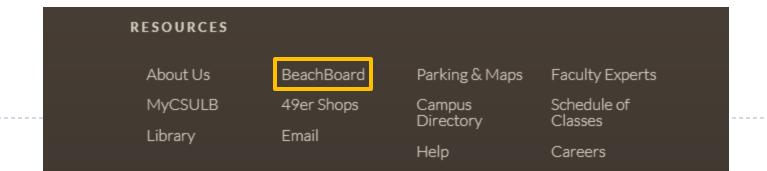


Expectations

- According to the Faculty Handbook...
 - For each class hour students are required/expected to put in 2 hours of work outside class
 - About 6 hours per week required outside of class time for this course (e.g., for assignments, reading, study, etc.)
 - Naturally students differ in their learning curves for different types of material

GEOG 380 – Info of the course

- Schedule Most current version on the BeachBoard
- Classes
 - Attendance for your own good & Late > Absent
- Examination policy Better late than never!
- Cheating and plagiarism
 - Don't cheat, don't copy&paste, don't share unless group work
 - Better turn in late than nothing
- Disability services
 - Contact me and Disabled Student Services Office



GEOG 380 – Class website

- News & updates
- Syllabus & Schedules
- Lecture notes, labs, worksheets, study guides
- Class resources
- Discussion Boards

Map presentation

What is it?

- Pick one of any interesting online maps and copy the URL (link).
- Post your desired date of presentation and the URL of the map to the BeachBoard: Discussions >"Map Presentation" forum > "My desired map presentation date & the URL" topic by clicking the topic. Click on the "Start a New Thread" button and the "Post" button on the board. Refer the "example" thread posted under the topic.
- Pick one of the class meetings that have a "map presentation:" session. See the schedules to find eligible days. Let's limit up to 3-people/day. So, first come first reserve.

During your map presentation,

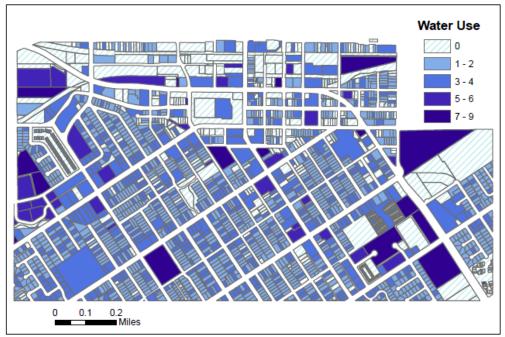
- Give a brief introduction about the map you chose (e.g. theme or topic)
 - Please use the projector in classroom to show the article to your colleagues
- Tell us what you think about the map (e.g. data, design, colors, techniques used, strengths, weaknesses)
- One-time assignment/person through the course (individual task)
 - ▶ About 3~4 minutes for each person
- Counted as the In-class work
 - **20 points** out of 1000 points course-total

Example Term Project works from SP/10

Work of Jade Dean

Water Consumption in Green Valley, CA

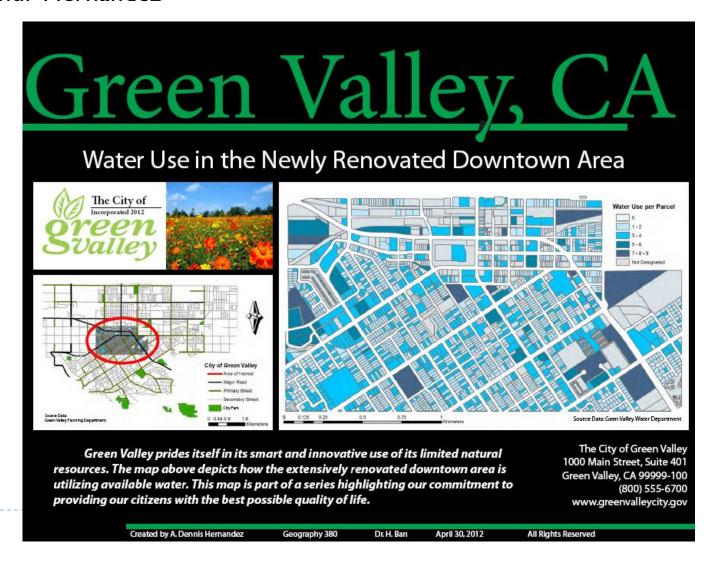




Source Data: Lab 1Data Author: Jade Dean Date: 26 April 2010

Example Term Project works from SP/12

Work of Arthur Hernandez



Example Term Project works from SP/16

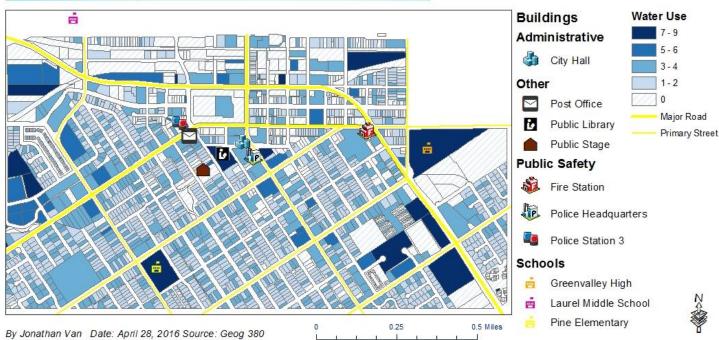
Work of Jonathan Van

Every Drop Counts!

Water Consumption Green Valley, CA







Things to know to get started

- ▶ How to deal with ZIP files including GIS data
 - BeachBoard > Class Resources



To do...

- Make sure you can log-in on BeachBoard and...
 - Access course materials and review the syllabus & schedules
 - Confirm your email address at my.csulb.edu
- Get a copy of textbook
- Readings
 - Slocum et al. (2009). Chapters1&2
- Try to install ArcGIS Desktop to your home PC once available
 - Student copy installation EVA codes will be distributed for Windows O/S
- Bring your USB drive for every class meeting (will use it in the next class)
- Try to post your picture (| bonus point!....out of 1,000) though not mandatory
- Post your desired date and link for map presentation (20 points!)
- Any questions?

