## ES3003 GIS and Spatial Analysis for Earth Scientists

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 9	Semester	1	
Academic year:	2020-2021				
Planned timetable:	10.00 am - 1.00 pm	10.00 am - 1.00 pm Mon, Wed (lecture plus lab session) (Weeks 1 - 7)			

This module covers the principles behind, and practical application of digital spatial analysis in Earth Sciences. This includes the analysis of primary and secondary datasets, how to access and import a variety of data types, and the fundamentals of various spatial analytical methods including spatial statistics and modeling within a GIS environment. The module also prepares students for the correct presentation of maps and datasets in the dissertation proposal and thesis.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must take ES3002		
Learning and teaching	<b>Weekly contact</b> : Two 3 hour practical demonstrated classes per week run in IT classrooms using ArcGIS software. This will allow for remote log on by students who		
methods of delivery:	cannot attend the class in person. If distancing measures are in place then more than one IT classroom will be needed.		
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%		
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 100%		
Module coordinator:	Dr C R Bates		
Module teaching staff:	Dr C Bates		

### ES3004 Processes and Products in Sedimentary Systems

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 9	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	9.00 am - 10.00 am	Tue - Thu (lectures), 2	.00 - 5.00 pm Mon (praction	cals). 3 field days
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This core module provides fundamental knowledge and training in describing, studying and interpreting sediments, sedimentary rocks and stratigraphic frameworks. The concepts and methodologies of process sedimentology, stratigraphy and sedimentary petrography will be taught, and training undertaken using fieldwork and practicals. The module serves as preparation for subsequent modules on related topics and for field-based modules, including Advanced Geological Mapping, the Research dissertation, and the fourth-year field course.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must pass ES2001 and ( pass ES2002 or pass ES2003 )		
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 3 lectures (x11 wks), 4 practicals (x4 wks), 2 fieldtrips (2 days)		
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%		
Re-assessment pattern:	Practical Examination = 100%		
Module coordinator:	Professor A R Prave		
Module teaching staff:	Prof T Prave, Dr C Rose		

#### ES3008 Geochemistry

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 9	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	10.00 am Tue and Thu (lectures), 2.00 - 5.00 Fri (practicals)			

This module provides an introduction to geochemistry: the study of the abundance, distribution and circulation of the chemical elements in minerals, rocks, soils, water and the atmosphere. Geochemical tools are a powerful means to study geological, economic, and environmental problems. In the module we study the origin and distribution of the chemical elements in the Earth and solar system and review thermodynamics and kinetics as applied to the Earth system. We apply thermodynamics to make quantitative predictions regarding the outcome of chemical reactions associated with geological processes. We consider the behaviour of elements, in both low temperature environments and planetary interiors. Material covered includes introductory chemistry, chemical bonding, thermodynamics, kinetics, aqueous geochemistry, mineral precipitation and dissolution, CO2 change, and planetary chemistry. We utilise geochemical tools to constrain changes in geological processes and Earth's environment.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must have entered honours and passed ES2001, ES2002 and ES2003
Learning and teaching	Weekly contact: 2 x 1 hour lectures (8 weeks), 1 x 3 hour practical (8 weeks), 1 field
methods of delivery:	class
Assessment pattern:	Practical Examination = 100%
Re-assessment pattern:	Practical Examination = 100%
Module coordinator:	Dr J W B Rae
Module teaching staff:	Dr J Rae, Dr P Savage

### ES3009 Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 9	Semester	1	
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Academic year:	2020-2021				
Planned timetable:	9.00 am Tue and Th	0.00 am Tue and Thu (lectures); 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm Mon (practicals)			

This is a core module within the BSc Geology and MGeol Earth Sciences degrees and delivered early in the Honours programme in order to provide a fundamental framework for interpreting major petrological processes acting within the silicate portion of planet Earth. The course focuses on solid-state equilibria, liquid-solid phase equilibria, crystallography, and spatial associations. The module serves as preparation for subsequent modules on related topics and for field-based modules, including Advanced Geological Mapping, Advanced Geochemistry, the Research dissertation, the Alps field course, Advanced Petrogenesis.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must pass ES2002		
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 2 x 1-hour lectures (x 10 weeks), 3-hour practicals most weeks.		
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 50%, 2 x 2-hour Practical Examination = 50%		
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 80%, Coursework = 20%, No Re-assessment if Coursework mark is less than 4		
Module coordinator:	Dr S Mikhail		
Module teaching staff:	Dr S Mikhail, Prof A Finch, Prof R White		

### ES3011 Global Biogeochemical Cycles

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 9	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

Environmental Earth Science is inherently multi-disciplinary, but many environmental science courses focus on specific reservoirs of the Earth system (e.g., the atmosphere, oceans, or continental crust), rather than examining the system as a whole. The study of global biogeochemical cycling crosses these disciplinary boundaries, following specific elements as they are cycled through the Earth surface by physical, chemical, and biological transformations. This module will focus on the cycling of the five elements critical to life on Earth - carbon, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, and nitrogen - using examples from both modern and ancient environments and their response to human influence. An emphasis will be placed on the proxies utilised for unravelling these processes in the environment and in the rock record, along with modern quantitative methods used to constrain these cycles.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must take ES2002 or take ES2003 and take ES3008
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	<b>Weekly contact</b> : 2 hour x 8 weeks online lectures, 3 hour x 4 weeks online practicals, 2 hour x 3 weeks in person discussion sessions
Assessment pattern:	Written Examination (run as internal test in Week 9) = 50%, Coursework = 50%
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 80%, Coursework = 20%, No Re-assessment if Coursework mark is less than 4
Module coordinator:	Dr A L Zerkle
Module teaching staff:	Dr A Zerkle, Dr M Claire, Dr S Mikhail

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SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 10	Semester	1	
Academic year:	2020-2021				
Planned timetable:	11.00 am - 1.00 pm	.1.00 am - 1.00 pm Thu (lectures), 2.00 - 5.00 pm Thu (practicals)			

The fundamental concepts, techniques and practices of the hydrocarbon exploration industry are presented. Students will gain a thorough understanding of the geoscience of petroleum exploration, particularly using geophysical methods, and a working knowledge of modern concepts in oil and gas geology.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must pass ES2001 and ( pass ES2002 or pass ES2003 )
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 19 lectures and 4 workshops, 2 practicals and support sessions (Weeks 1 - 10). All lectures will be given using Panopto and be recorded. Practical classes will be delivered in the IT classroom suite and also be available through remote login to the Irvine IT labs.
Assessment pattern:	Coursework (Petrel Logging - 50%, Carbonate Workshop - 20%, Wireline Logging Workshop - 10%, North Sea Report - 20%) = 100%
Re-assessment pattern:	Current Coursework (Petrel Logging) = 50%, Coursework = 50%, No Re-assessment if Coursework mark is less than 4
Module coordinator:	Dr C R Bates
Module teaching staff:	Dr R Bates

#### ES4009 Geodynamics

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 10	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	Lectures: 9.00 am -	11.00 am		

A study of the geodynamic evolution of Earth's crust since the Archaean, the evolution of convergent and divergent margins, and the relationships between deep Earth geodynamics, surficial tectonics, erosion, climate, and biosphere. The module investigates how fundamental geodynamic processes operate and impact the rock record and contrasts geodynamic evolution over time. The module develops skills of geodynamic interpretation, use of numerical models, palaeogeographic and metadata analysis. Students will undertake an independent research project culminating in a manuscript-style report for continuous assessment; and there will be a final exam focusing on continental tectonics.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must pass ES2002 and pass ES2003		
Anti-requisite(s)	You cannot take this module if you take ES5009		
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 2 hour lectures (11 weeks), 7 hour practical (1 week)		
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 50%, 2-hour Written Examination = 50%		
Re-assessment pattern:	Coursework = 20%, 2-hour Written Examination = 80%		
Module coordinator:	Professor R W White		
Module teaching staff:	Dr T Raub, Prof. R White		

### ES5005 Isotope Geochemistry: Theory, Techniques, and Applications

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021	_		
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

Isotope geochemistry has grown over the last 50 years to become one of the most important fields in the Earth sciences. The growth in the importance of isotope geochemistry reflects its remarkable success in solving fundamental problems in mantle formation, ore genesis, hydrology, hydrocarbon formation, crustal evolution, planetary formation, geochemical cycles, hydrothermal circulation, ocean circulation, and climate and environmental change. In this module, we will explore the theory of isotopes and their fractionation, including kinetic, equilibrium, and Rayleigh fractionation. We will also use case studies and applications of isotopes to interesting problems across Earth Sciences including the evolution of the atmosphere, the formation of the solar system and planets, and climate and carbon cycle reconstructions. These case studies will introduce concepts such as clumped isotopes, isotope mass balance, mass independent fractionation, and radionuclide disequilibria.

Pre-requisite(s):	Current BSc Students SHOULD PASS ES3008 or pass (ch1401, CH1402 and CH2501)
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	<b>Weekly contact</b> : 14 x 1 hour lectures, 2 x 3 hour online practicals, 1 x 3 hour in person practical, 6 x 1 hour in person discussions
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Practical (Open Book) Examination = 50%, Coursework = 50%
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Practical (Open Book) Examination = 80%, Coursework = 20%
Module coordinator:	Dr A Burke
Module teaching staff:	Dr A Burke, Dr P Savage, Dr A Zerkle

### ES5010 Advanced Geochemistry

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

The objective of this course is to provide students with skills in some of the more advanced topics in geochemistry that are not commonly discussed in introductory courses, such as geochemical processes in 'extreme' environments, aqueous geochemical modeling, or organic geochemistry. The selection of topics covers both theoretical and applied aspects in geochemical sciences with the aim of laying out potential avenues for future professional development.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must take ES3008			
Learning and teaching	<b>Weekly contact</b> : 33 hours in total over the semester, composed of a combination of			
methods of delivery:	ectures and 2-3 hour practicals.			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
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Re-assessment pattern:	Coursework mark is less than 4			
Module coordinator:	Dr E E Stueeken			
Module teaching staff:	Other SEES staff and/or external lecturers			

#### ES5011 Water in the Environment

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

This module provides an introduction to hydrogeology (the distribution and movement of water through rocks and soils) and water quality and contamination. In the module we study the theory and concept of hydrology and groundwater flow, how to model fluid flows and how to predict solute and contaminant transport. We study key aqueous pollutants (e.g. metals, radionuclides, nutrients), their behaviour in different waters (speciation, mobility, bioavailability and toxicity) and methods of remediation.

Pre-requisite(s):	Undergraduate students without the prerequisite but with a suitable Chemistry background should be considered. Before taking this module you must pass ES3008
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	<b>Weekly contact</b> : Total of 16 hours of lectures, 12 hours of practicals, one field trip and interviews.
Assessment pattern:  2-hour Written Examination = 40%, Coursework (including Technical Brief, Me Interview and Qualitative analysis exercise) = 60%	
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 100%
Module coordinator:	Dr N Allison
Module teaching staff:	Dr N Allison, Mr A Black (Groundwater Science Ltd)

#### ES5012 Biogeochemistry

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

Earth's surface environment is tightly regulated by biogeochemical processes. The biosphere directly influences the composition of Earth's atmosphere, ocean chemistry, and global climate, through the cycling of nutrients and other elements. This module will examine the role of biogeochemical processes in controlling Earth surface chemistry, and their possible influence on deep Earth reservoirs. Emphasis will be placed on feedbacks between the geosphere, atmosphere, and biosphere over geologic time, and how these interactions have both contributed and responded to important transitions in Earth history (e.g., the Great Oxidation Event, global glaciations). We will also highlight current geochemical (e.g., stable isotope ratios) and numerical (e.g., modelling) techniques used to constrain these interactions in both modern and ancient (rock record) systems.

Learning and teaching	Weekly contact: 2 hour x8 weeks online lectures, 3 hour x4 weeks online practicals,		
methods of delivery:	2 hour x 3 weeks in person discussions		
Assessment pattern:	100% continual assessment.		
Re-assessment pattern:	100% continual assessment.		
Module coordinator:	Dr A L Zerkle		
Module teaching staff:	Dr A Zerkle, Dr M Claire, Dr S Mikhail		

#### ES5013 Advanced Petrogenesis

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	1	
Academic year:	2020-2021				
Planned timetable:	10.00 am Mon and	10.00 am Mon and Tue (lectures). 10.00 - 1.00 pm Wed or Fri (practicals)			

Requested Correction Rocky planets, like Earth, comprise of a metallic core with a rocky mantle and crust topped with a gaseous atmosphere. The focus of this course is the genesis of the rocky mantle and crust, termed the silicate Earth, and its relationship to small-scale to planetary-wide processes. The silicate Earth primarily comprises igneous and metamorphic rocks. This module explores the nature of the magmatic and metamorphic processes that characterise the Earth from the immediate subsurface to the base of the mantle. We focus on the petrology and geochemistry of the minerals and rocks created, and the evolution of composition as a function of time and depth. Students completing this module will understand how magmatic systems operate from melting source, through ascent to the plumbing systems in the immediate subsurface. The response of the crust to dynamic changes in pressure and temperature will also be explained along with the methods used to determine these. The course will develop key skills in identifying rocks, interpreting geochemical data, and using geochemical and thermodynamic methods to unravel rock histories. Students will also be shown how these data can be used to understand any and all rocky bodies in the cosmos, from Earth to exoplanets.

Pre-requisite(s):	Before taking this module you must take ES3009				
Learning and teaching	Weekly contact: 19 lectures, 15 hours of laboratory work, 18 hours of field-related				
methods of delivery:	udy over the semester				
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 50%, 3-hour Practical Examination = 50%				
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 100%, No Re-assessment if Coursework mark is less than 4				
Module coordinator:	Professor A A Finch				
Module teaching staff:	Prof A Finch, Prof R White and Dr S Mikhail				

### ES5014 The Chemistry of the Solar System

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged			

The solar system is a chemically-diverse place, and this module uses aspects of geoscience, chemistry and physics to investigate the physiochemical processes that led to its current diversity. This module will introduce you to established and cutting-edge theories that explore the composition of the pre-solar nebula, the formation of the Sun, the planets and asteroids - and the processes that determine their current chemical compositions.

Learning and teaching	Weekly contact: 2 lectures (x 9 weeks), 1 practical class (x 9 weeks), 2 seminar classes
methods of delivery:	(x 2 weeks)
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 50%, Practical Examination = 50%
Re-assessment pattern:	Practical Examination = 100%
Module coordinator:	Dr P S Savage
Module teaching staff:	Dr Paul Savage

#### **ES5031 Statistics and Analytical Sciences**

SCOTCAT Credits:	5	SCQF Level 10	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be confirmed			

This module is designed to provide MSc Geochemistry students with a strong background in Statistics and methods of data analysis used in Earth Sciences. The module comprises a series of combined lecture-practical classes. These will cover both statistical concepts (distributions, accuracy and precision, error propagation, Monte Carlo simulations etc.) and applied data manipulation (using spreadsheets and the statistical programming language R). Weekly practical classes will put the lecture material into a practical context and comprise 40% of the module grade. Students will undertake a data analysis and modelling project which will comprise 60% of the module grade. The module will give students the necessary training to allow them to excel in their own data analysis during their Research Dissertations.

Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 1 hour x 8 weeks online lectures, 2 hourr x 8 weeks online practicals
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%
Re-assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%
Module coordinator:	Dr R C J Steele
Module teaching staff:	Dr Robert Steele

#### ES5050 Earth's Greatest Hits

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Availability restrictions:	Available to General Degree students with the permission of the Honours Adviser			
Planned timetable:	Lecture - Thursday, Practical - Wednesday			

This module is based around current hot topics in Earth science research. It will introduce cutting-edge science questions about how our planet has evolved from a ball of molten rock to the habitable blue planet it is today, and some of the major changes in its chemistry, biosphere, and climate that have happened along the way. Topics will vary from year to year, depending on staff participating in the module and the advances in Earth science research. This module is research-led, requiring that you read, digest, and discuss a number of topical papers each week. For some of these topics there is no given answer; instead you gain an in-depth understanding of the current state of research. Topics are introduced in lectures and then discussion seminars, organised around student presentations, are designed to encourage debate and critique of the arguments presented in the research papers.

Pre-requisite(s):	Undergraduate Students SHOULD PASS ES2001 AND PASS ES2002 AND PASS ES2003			
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 8 hours of lectures and 24 hours of seminars over the semester.			
Assessment pattern:	Practical Examination (Oral Presentations) = 60%, Written Examination = 40%			
Re-assessment pattern:	Written Examination = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Dr J W B Rae			
Module teaching staff:	Dr James Rae + other SEES staff			

### ES5051 Geochemistry Field Excursion

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2	
Academic year:	2020-2021				
Planned timetable:	2 weeks of field work and post-trip analysis in April				

Field sampling and laboratory analysis of natural samples are in important part of a geochemists' toolkit. This module will introduce the skills necessary for planning and executing a successful field campaign, developing best practice field skills in documenting the geological and environmental controls on a geochemical problem, and how to select and take samples. This forms the introduction to methodologies and training in applied environmental problems. Specific environmental problems will be identified, and researched in detail before a one-week field excursion to Rio Tinto in southern Spain, a world-famous mining locality with associated environmental pollution and remediation.

Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: Occasional seminar, 6 hours of lectures and labs in Week 10 and week long field trip in Week 11.
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%
Module coordinator:	Dr M Claire
Module teaching staff:	Dr M Claire, Dr A Zerkle

#### ES5099 Research Project

SCOTCAT Credits:	60	SCQF Level 11	Semester	Full Year
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

The MSc Research Project Module provides the student with an opportunity to undertake an independent project based on original research. Each student chooses a topic of interest and is able to work under the supervision of an active research group within the University, and/or with an external academic or industrial partner. The research project involves project formulation, proposal writing and analytical design, as well as data integration and interpretation. The results are presented as oral presentations, as a poster as part of a conference, and in a dissertation.

Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: introductory lectures, presentations and supervisory meetings.
Assessment pattern:	Coursework (10,000 word dissertation + other elements) = 100%
Re-assessment pattern:	No Re-assessment available
Module coordinator:	Dr P S Savage
Module teaching staff:	Dr P Savage/Dr E Stueeken + other SEES members

### ES5300 Core to Crust Ore Genesis - High Temperature

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged			

This module explores ore deposits that form in high-temperature environments, extending from mantle processes to the upper crust. Current genetic models of ore deposits are reviewed with an emphasis on the geological processes required to create them. Deposit types discussed may include some or all of diamond formation, magmatic Ni-Cu and PGE-Cr, Cu and Sn porphyry, skarn, Rare Earth Element (REE) and iron oxide copper gold (IOCG). Laboratory exercises involve geological problem solving using a mineral exploration industry focus involving the examination of representative suites of samples.

Pre-requisite(s):	Acceptance to year 5 of a M-level programme in the School of Earth & Environment Sciences	
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 1 lecture x 10 weeks, 1 seminar x 10 weeks, 1 practical x 4 weeks	
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 50%, Practical Examination = 50%	
Re-assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 80%, Practical Examination = 20%	
Module coordinator:	Professor A A Finch	
Module teaching staff:	Prof A Finch and Dr N Gardiner	

# ES5302 Core to Crust Ore Genesis - Low Temperature

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Availability restrictions:	Enrolment is limited to MSc students in Mineral Resources and Geochemistry and to MGeol students			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged			

This module explores ore deposits that form in low-temperature environments, extending from the upper crust to the critical zone at Earth's surface, including topics such as physical and chemical properties of hydrothermal fluids, volcanogenic and sedimentary sulphide deposits, iron manganese oxides, evaporites, and soil-hosted ores. The material will be delivered through a combination of lectures and hands-on practicals.

Pre-requisite(s):	Student must have gained entrance to the mgeol or msc mineral resources or geochemistry programmes	
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: Each week includes 2 lectures (x 10 weeks) and 1 practical (x 8 weeks) or 1 seminar (x 2 weeks)	
Assessment pattern:	written Examination (run as internal test in Week 9) = 50%, Coursework = 30%, Practical Examination = 20%	
Re-assessment pattern:	Practical Examination = 100%	
Module coordinator:	Dr E E Stueeken	
Module teaching staff:	Dr E. Stueeken and other SEES staff	

#### ES5304 3D Geological Modelling

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	2
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Availability restrictions:	Available only to students on the MGeol or Mineral Resources degrees			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			

This module aims to familiarise students with three-dimensional geological modelling using the industry-standard pieces of software. The module emphasises the creation, validation and interpretation of geological and structural models, as well as their use in mineral exploration and mineral resource estimation. Module assessment is based on the quality of three-dimensional models created and group participation.

Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	<b>Weekly contact</b> : 3 hours of lectures (x 5 weeks), 3 hours of practical classes (x 5 weeks)
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%
Re-assessment pattern:	No Re-assessment available
Module coordinator:	Dr N J Gardiner
Module teaching staff:	Dr Nick Gardiner and other SEES staff

### ID5011 Geographic Information Systems for Environmental Management

SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester	1
Academic year:	2020-2021			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged (We	eeks 1 - 5)		

This module provides an introduction to Geographic Information systems and their use in environmental problem solving. The module will be taught through a series of lectures, tutorials, laboratory classes and individual projects. The module will be assessed through class exercises and the final, short individual project. Students will be introduced to methods of acquiring, storing, analysing and displaying (2D and 3D) spatial digital data using the ArcGIS data package. An introduction to data manipulation and statistical techniques on a variety of environmental examples will be given. The module is taught within the School of Geography and Geosciences but incorporates datasets and analysis techniques used in earth and environmental science, biology, archaeology, and mathematics.

Pre-requisite(s):	Requires a basic ability in computer skills (basic word processing, spread sheet analysis) gained through SALTIRE if not demonstrated		
Anti-requisite(s)	You cannot take this module if you take GE5005 or take ID5010 or take ID5012		
Learning and teaching methods of delivery:	Weekly contact: 6 lectures and 14 practicals and support sessions (Weeks 1 - 6).		
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100% (portfolio 70%, Individual Project 30%)		
Re-assessment pattern:	Resubmission of failed item(s) of Coursework		
Module coordinator:	Dr C R Bates		