Remote sensing 220 (GMA 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	14.00
Programmes	BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
	BSc Environmental Sciences
	BSc Geography
	BSc Geoinformatics
	BSc Geology
	BSc Meteorology
	BSc Physics
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Prerequisites	GMC 110
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This module will provide a thorough introduction to the basic scientific principles involved in remote sensing, and some of the applications to studies of the Earth's surface. This includes examining the basic physics of electromagnetic radiation and the complex interactions of radiation with the surface and atmosphere (i.e. spectral signatures). In addition, basic concepts of photogrammetry will be discussed. The theoretical background laid out in the first half of the module will provide the tools for examining various remote sensing applications using data obtained in different parts of the electromagnetic spectrum. The applications will include uses of satellite remote sensing data for mapping and monitoring vegetation, soils and minerals, snow and ice, water resources and quality, and urban landscapes. The laboratory section will include hands-on experience with various satellite image data sets.