Overview

Students with previous work experience or who believe they have taken equivalent courses that don’t articulate into the GSP curriculum may take the GSP 101 Challenge Examination. Visit the GSP Curriculum webpage for detailed information on course requirements.

Also, please note the following:

- Academic credit is not earned by these exams.
- The Testing Center will administer the exam.
- Students who meet the qualifications outlined in the GSP Curriculum webpage may take the exam.
- Students should obtain a referral from a GSP instructor prior to contacting the Testing Center.

Taking the GSP101 Challenge Exam

Students will be given an exam consisting of 100 questions during a 180-minute period. The exam will only be available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12PM – 2PM. The deadline to take the exam during any given semester will be two weeks before the semester ends. The results of the examination will be applied to the following semester (if taken at the end) or to the current semester (if taken at the start).

Permission from a GSP instructor is required to take the exam. If you feel you qualify, you should contact a GSP instructor and provide the relevant information to justify challenging the course.

Once the instructor has approved your request, you should contact the testing center and make an appointment using the following link: http://www.humboldt.edu/testingcenter/make-up-exam.

Log in and fill out the form with your information followed by:

- Instructor Name: Nicolas Malloy
- Instructor Email: Nick.Malloy@humboldt.edu
- Course Number: GSP101
- Under Compelling Reason for Making-Up Exam: Challenging GSP101 Course

For any specific questions related to making arrangements with the testing center, contact the center directly by email: testing@humboldt.edu

Preparing for the GSP101 Challenge Exam

The exam is intended to evaluate an existing level of proficiency in geospatial science. There are no provisions for assisting students to prepare for the exam. The GSP instructors do not provide tutoring or consultation.

To prepare for exams, students should read with care a textbook related to geospatial sciences. Textbooks can be located at the HSU Bookstore under the Geospatial Studies section.

Grading the GSP101 Challenge Exam

A passing score for the GSP101 Challenge Exam is 75 or above. The examinations will be graded during the week following the closing date of the examination period. Students will be informed via email whether or not the exam was passed and exam results will be made available to GSP instructors.

There are no provisions for providing the student with feedback on the exams. Students will not be provided with information regarding which specific questions were correct or incorrect.