
GEO 298 | INDEPENDENT STUDY FINAL PRODUCT GUIDELINES

Description

All students will be required to participate in the creation and presentation of a PowerPoint Presentation and Final Report of your term project. These products are intended to provide your community partner an understanding of your methodologies, products, and overall documentation. Send an electronic version (.pdf) to your instructor and your community partner the day of the presentation.

Requirements

There are two project products:

1. A 10-15 minute oral presentation that describes your GIS data and the analyses you performed, and displays the resulting maps and tabular output.
2. A Final Report that summarizes the project, data sources, methodologies, results, and conclusions.

First rule – keep it simple. Stay within the guidelines provided below. Remember, “less can be more.” Consider your audience – they are not GIS folks, therefore do not use “GIS speak.” Your audience consists of organization staff, and PCC faculty and students.

Project Report

The final report should be double-spaced, 1 inch margins, and incorporate professional formatting.

Here is an example outline for a Project Report:

- Introduction (no more than 1 page) of site and environment
- Project Descriptions
 - This can contain multiple sections - one for each analysis
 - Each section should not exceed 3 pages
- Data Sources (for entire project)
 - Documentation of your data sources – this can be in a table format that includes data name; data description; data source; metadata referral
 - Metadata – link to html docs or websites
- Maps – a copy of every map included in the project.

Presentation Date

Presentations will be given on Monday Dec 10, 2012 @ 6:00pm

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Presentation Instructions

The oral presentation should:

- be no longer than 15 minutes
- include the following sections: introduction, methods, results, and conclusions;
- be thought of as a professional presentation and treated as such;
- you should verify beforehand that any software demos you plan to include work in the classroom;
- practice your presentation – we are requesting time from a variety of individuals – we cannot ask them to stay any longer than the time we have set aside.

Project Grading

The grade for your final products is based on the cohesiveness, quality and logic of your presentation, the appropriateness of the methods and techniques, the level of professionalism in your products, and analysis outputs (i.e maps).