DTB B122

The objective of this course will be to introduce you to the idea of collecting, processing and using passive microwave, active microwave (RADAR), and LiDAR remotely sensed data as standalone and complementary remote sensing data sources to optical data. The course builds on GEOG228 by focusing on the unique aspects of the microwave region of the electromagnetic spectrum. Microwaves have wavelengths around 1 cm to 1 m, approximately 100,000 times longer than optical wavelengths, so that interactions with the earth's surface, and approaches for landscape information extraction, require unique treatments.

We will also explore LiDAR data for the evaluation of natural environments. The lectures will introduce to the potential of these data and a specific processing and analysis philosophy, while the lab assignment will let you process and analyze LiDAR data. There will be four laboratory assignments that will explore innovative approaches for using microwave and LiDAR remotely sensed data. Emphasis will be placed on innovative applications made possible by recent advances in these technologies, though several analytical approaches learned in this course are transferable to other remote sensing domains such as optical.

microwave remote sensing, RADAR, altimetry, LiDAR, object-based image analysis

None. For laboratory assignments you will be expected to make additional use of remote sensing texts, journal articles, other material in the university libraries, & web-based information to support your work.

1. Mather, P.M. (2011). Computer processing of remotely-sensed images. 4th ed. Wiley-Blackwell, Hoboken, NJ.

AN introductory text that provides both the basics of remote sensing of more advanced material on sensors and processing techniques. FREELY AVAILABLE: http://ezproxy.library.uvic.ca/login?url=http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/book/10.1002/9780470666517 2. Richards, J.A., (2009). Remote Sensing with Imaging Radar. Springer, Heidelberg, Germany. A resource book which does an excellent job of providing a rigorous treatment of microwave imaging but in a manner suited to earth scientists rather than practitioners of theoretical electromagnetism. Focus is on radar but the book includes a chapter on passive microwave remote sensing.

3. Woodhouse, I.H. (2006). Introduction to Microwave Remote Sensing. Taylor and Francis, Boca Raton, Florida.

A very readable primer in active and passive microwave remote sensing. Contains overviews of several applications.

<u>Theoretical</u>: foundations of passive and active microwave remote sensing and LiDAR, information extraction, and policy issues. Technical: state-of-the-

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integrity.html

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The instructor reserves the right to use plagiarism detection software programs to detect plagiarism in written assignments.

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Where: Sexualized violence resource office in EQHR; Sedgewick C119 Phone: 250.721.8021 Email: <u>svpcoordinator@uvic.ca</u> Web: <u>uvic.ca/svp</u>

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