## Geospatial Information Science Technology GIST Program at MCC



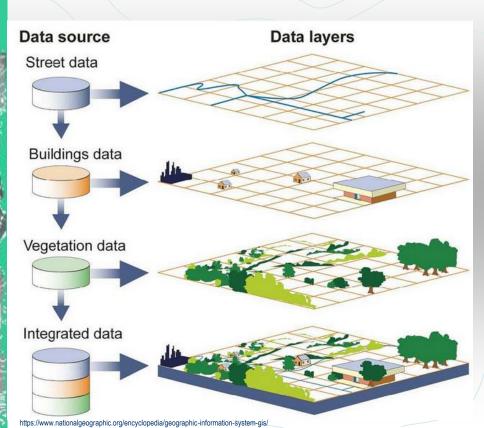




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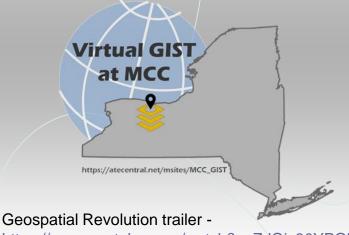
#### What is Geospatial Technology?

Integration of Geographical Information Systems, Remote Sensing, and GPS.









https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZdQjc30YPOk

Pandemic (short)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rWZ1M7Z2Jho

## MCC's Virtual Geospatial program

Current Stackable program!

24 Credit GIST Certificate

9-credit micro-credential for GIST professionals

A.A.S. in GIST

Geospatial Information Science and Technology (Gist)

Certificate Department of Chemistry and Geosciences

GET THE "G.I.S.T." ON THE GROWING FIELD OF GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Geospatial Information Science and Technology (G.I.S.T.) is used virtually everywhere. It converts remote sensing information provided by satellites and imagery into digital data.

Start My Application >

Explore Careers >

School of Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM)





## 2018-2028 Job Outlook faster than average

#### **Geospatial Information Scientists & Technologists:**

Employment: 413,000

Projected Growth: Faster than avg, 7-10%

Median Wages: \$88,550

#### **Geographic Information Systems Technicians:**

Employment: 412,800

Projected Growth: Faster than avg 7-10%

Median Wages: \$88,550

#### **Cartographers and Photogrammetrists:**

Employment: 11,800

Projected Growth: Much faster than avg, 11%+

Median Wages: \$65,470

#### **Remote Sensing Technicians:**

Employment: 72,400

Projected Growth: Faster than avg, 7-10%

Median Wages: \$50,550

**Source:** Bureau of Labor Statistics. Employment figures are for 2018; projected growth is for the period 2018-2028; median wages are for 2019.



## AAS in Geospatial Information Science & Technology (GIST)

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Table 1				
FALL Year 1	Cr	SPRING Year 1	Cr	
Introduction to GIST	3/	Web Mapping	3	Micro-credenti
Cartography	3	Spatial Analysis	3	
English	3	Art/Foreign Language	3	
Introduction to Remote Sensing	3	Physical Geography Lab	1	
Math	3	Physical Geography	3	
		Physical/Health Education	2	
FALL Year 2	Cr	SPRING Year 2	Cr	
UAS Data Acquisition and Management	3	Introduction to Programming for GIS	3	Micro-credentia
Statistics	3	Capstone Course in Geospatial Technology	2	
Elective	3	American History	3	
Human Geography	3	Program Elective	3	
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## Micro-credential in GIST



#### GIST CERTIFICATE – PREPARE FOR ENTRY LEVEL WORKFORCE POSITION OR MICRO-CREDENTIAL

Earning MCC's 24-credit GIST Certificate prepares you for the GIST workforce and/or the micro-credential, or transfer to a bachelor's degree program in Geography of geospatial technology. Complete the program in one or two years depending on your life demands. You can also earn the AS in Geography along with the GIST Certificate at the same time!

GIST CERTIFICATE includes a 50-hour internship

#### GROWING JOB MARKET

Projected growth\* through 2028 is faster than average. Median wage\* for mid-career \$50-88K/yr. \* 2019 Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Employers include: EagleView, LaBella Associates, Esri, New York City, MRB Group, local towns



### Micro-credential in GIST

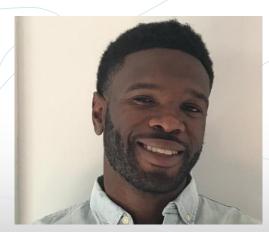






# Alumni providing enhanced support and mentoring!





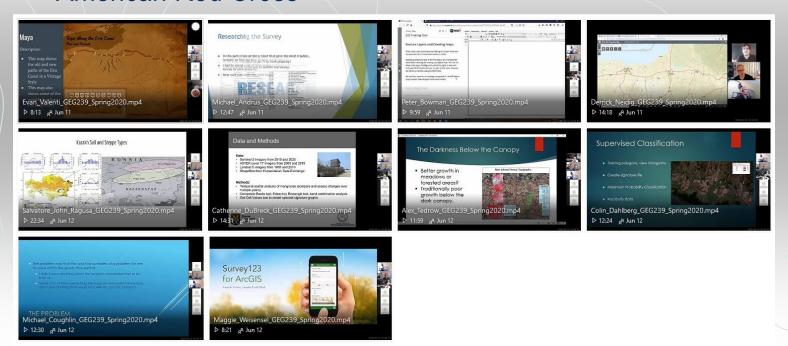
Four alumni are providing support to our current students!





## Sample Virtual Internships/Partnerships

- EagleView
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- NY State Department of Health
- American Red Cross
- National GeoTech Center of Excellence
- Genesee Land Trust
- American Red Cross



## Global Virtual GIST Internships

#### Current

- Malawi: Cornell University and partner in Malawi
- Mexico: Universidad Autónoma de San Luis Potosí
- Kazakhstan: Kazakh State Agrotechnical University

#### Past

- Colombia: Fundación Universitaria Tecnológico Comfenalco
- Costa Rica: Monteverdi Institute



## Library Professional Development

Deliver innovative outreach and enriched virtual support from Public Librarians to support students!



~ 20 Librarians in fall of 2020! And 20 more in 2021!

#### Recruitment of Students

- 1) GIST summer camp
- 2) dual credit enrollment
- 3) targeted recruitment of introductory GIST students
- 4) MCC Mapping Club events 400 attended in the fall!



#### Thank you! Questions?

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