LAND SURVEYING AND GEOMATICS (AAS)

Degree: Associate of Applied Science
Program of Study: Land Surveying and Geomatics
Program Code: 1334

About This Major . . .

The Land Surveying and Geomatics program prepares students to use surveying equipment that is an integral part of land development for areas of engineering, construction projects and planning. Students learn to use surveying equipment to measure elevations, and positions on or below the surface of the earth. They also learn to use technology to process the measured data. Students also learn the mathematical and technical calculation fundamentals associated with their measurements, and the fundamental boundary law principles as they apply to boundary surveys and boundary determinations.

The AAS in Land Surveying and Geomatics degree meets the Colorado education requirements to be eligible to take the Fundamentals of Surveying examination for Land Surveyor Intern in the state of Colorado under C.R.S. 12-25-212 (3) (a) (A) "Have graduated from a board-approved two-year surveying curriculum", provided they have the requisite progressive land surveying experience listed under part (II)(B) "Have a cumulative record of two years or more of progressive land surveying experience".

The AAS in Land Surveying and Geomatics degree also meets the Colorado education requirements to be eligible to take the Professional Land Surveyor’s examination for licensure as a Professional Land Surveyor in the state of Colorado under C.R.S. 12-25-212 (3) (a) (B) "Have graduated from a board-approved two-year surveying curriculum or a four year engineering curriculum that included surveying course work as specified by the board by rule", provided they have the requisite progressive land surveying experience under (III)(B) "Have six years of progressive land surveying experience of which four years shall have been under the supervision of a professional land surveyor or an exempt federal employee as defined under 12-25-203 (1)(b); and (III)(C) "Have been enrolled as a land surveyor-intern in this state>"

For more information on what you can do with this major, visit WCCC’s Programs of Study page.

All CMU/WCCC associate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, quantitative fluency, communication fluency, critical thinking, personal and social responsibility, and information literacy. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

a. Demonstrate the theoretical knowledge used in the performance of land surveying and geomatics professions. (Specialized Knowledge)
b. Demonstrate the practical skills and use of surveying tools according to the Land Surveying and Geomatics curriculum. (Applied Learning)
c. Demonstrate the practical skills and use of other surveying, drafting, and GIS tools according to the Land Surveying and Geomatics curriculum. (Applied Learning)
d. Demonstrate and apply higher level mathematical concepts that are necessary to complete complex survey tasks. (Quantitative Fluency)
e. Describe and understand the Common Law roots of Boundary Law and their importance in maintaining and generating accurate land transaction records and be able to apply those principles in land surveying. (Communication Fluency)
f. Analyze surveying problems and issues to determine the proper approach to the correct solution, including proper measuring and calculation techniques and the common law legal principles to apply to arrive at the proper results and interpretation of these surveying problems. (Critical Thinking)
g. Describe the ethical, as well as the practical role of surveying, including the applicable federal, state and local laws. (Personal and Social Responsibility)
h. Demonstrate an ability to meet the expected norms of the workforce. (Personal and Social Responsibility)

Requirements

Each section below contains details about the requirements for this program. Select a header to expand the information/requirements for that particular section of the program’s requirements.

To print or save an overview of this program’s information, including the program description, learning outcomes, requirements, suggested course sequencing (if applicable), and advising and graduation information, scroll to the bottom of the left-hand navigation menu and select "Print Options." This will give you the options to either "Send Page to Printer" or "Download PDF of This Page." The "Download PDF of This Page" option prepares a much more concise presentation of all program information. The PDF is also printable and may be preferable due to its brevity.

Institutional Degree Requirements

The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU and WCCC Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- 60 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 15 of the final 30 semester hours of credit at CMU/WCCC.
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU/WCCC coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and internships, cannot exceed 20 semester credit hours for an AAS degree.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See “Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates” in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
Specific to this degree:
• 61 credit hours total required for the AAS in Land Surveying and Geomatics.

Essential Learning Requirements
(17 semester hours)
See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

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Total Semester Credit Hours: 42

Suggested Course Plan

First Year
Fall Semester
ENGL 111 | English Composition I-GTCO1 | 3 |
GEOG 131 | Introduction to Cartography | 3 |
MATH 130 | Trigonometry                | 3 |
SURV 100 | Introduction to Surveying/Field Work | 3 |
SURV 102 | Surveying Calculations I    | 4 |
Semester Credit Hours: 16

Spring Semester
CADT 106 | Computer Aided Design       | 3 |
Complete one of the following: 3 |
ENGL 112 | English Composition II-GTCO2 | 3 |
SPCH 101 | Interpersonal Communications | 3 |
SPCH 102 | Speechmaking                | 3 |
MATH 141 | Analytical Geometry         | 3 |
MATH 121 | Calculus for Business       | 3 |
STAT 200 | Probability and Statistics-GTMA1 | 3 |
SURV 203 | Legal Aspects of Surveying  | 3 |
SURV 204 | Real Property Descriptions | 2 |
Semester Credit Hours: 17

Second Year
Fall Semester
CADT 130 | CAD-Civil                   | 3 |
Select one KINA Activity course | 1 |
PHYS 111 | General Physics-GTSC1       | 4 |
PHYS 111L | General Physics Laboratory-GTSC1 | 1 |
SURV 206 | Property Law - Boundary Evidence | 3 |
SURV 207 | Surveying Ethics: An Overview of Ethical Expectations | 2 |
Semester Credit Hours: 14

Spring Semester
GIST 332 & 332L | Introduction to Geographic Information Systems and Introduction to Geographic Information Systems Laboratory | 3 |
Essential Learning - Social and Behavioral Sciences, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts or Humanities course | 3 |
KINE 100 | Health and Wellness         | 1 |
SURV 200 | Advanced Surveying Field Work | 3 |
SURV 205 | Advanced Surveying Computations/Calculations | 4 |
Semester Credit Hours: 14

Total Semester Credit Hours: 61

Advising and Graduation
Advising Process and DegreeWorks
Documentation on the pages related to this program is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course
sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student’s responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar’s Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar’s Office.

**Graduation Process**

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the “Intent to Graduate” form to the Registrar’s Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar’s Office regarding next steps.