

Inver Hills Community College

PHED 2213: Geocaching

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 1

Lecture Hours/Week: 0

Lab Hours/Week: 1

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Provides instruction and expertise related to the use of the internet and a GPS unit to find and seek a geocache. Course content includes the origins of geocaching, the various types of geocaches, choosing an appropriate geocache, interacting with the geocaching website, hiding and seeking a geocache, logging your experience online after the geocache hunt is complete, safety concerns, and setting up an appropriate geocache hunt. Students will be required to walk and hike to locate geocaches during the term. Students must have access to a GPS device or Smartphone with an appropriate application for locating geocaches (available free online).

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/27/2012 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Finding and logging geocaches: 50%
2. Hiding a geocache: 5%
3. Maintaining your geocache(s): 5%
4. Origins of Geocaching: 5%
5. Safety concerns while geocaching: 5%
6. Seeking an appropriate place to hide a geocache: 5%
7. Using/Interacting with a geocaching website: 25%

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Demonstrate the ability to find various types of geocaches
2. Demonstrate the ability to design an effective cache page
3. Demonstrate proper logging of a geocache via a Geocaching website
4. Describe the origins of geocaching
5. Demonstrate use of the internet and a geocaching website for geocaching purposes
6. Demonstrate the ability to build/hide/and maintain a geocache
7. Identifying the potential safety concerns when geocaching

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted