JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY
School of Integrated Sciences
USGIF Declaration Form

Student Name:_____   Student ID Number:_____

Current Major/Minors:_____   Expected Graduation:_____

James Madison University participates in a Geospatial Intelligence Certificate Program, which has been accredited by the USGIF. This certificate is a joint project by the Geographic Science (https://www.jmu.edu/gs/) and Intelligence Analysis (https://www.jmu.edu/ia/) Programs in the School of Integrated Sciences. To qualify for the certificate students must take, and get a "C" or better in, all of the following courses:

Course	Description	Prerequisite	Credit Hours	Taken	In Progress
IA 200	Introduction to Nation Security Intelligence		3		
GEOG 215	Cartography and GIS		3		
GEOG 216	Earth Observation and GPS		3		
GEOG 365	Cartography and Geospatial Visualization		3		
GEOG 366	Intermediate Geographic Information Science		3		
GEOG 385	Principles of Remote Sensing		3		
CISE 460	Selected Topics in Intelligence Analysis		3		

Total Credits: 21

Students must submit a portfolio to qualify for the USGIF Certificate. The portfolio needs to be completed and submitted by April 1 if the students graduates in May or by November 1 if the student graduates in December.
The portfolio should include relevant academic work to demonstrate their geospatial skills. Portfolios also should comprise four paragraphs along with supporting evidence for each paragraph. Each paragraph should address an individual core geospatial competency (GIS and Analysis Tools, Remote Sensing and Imagery Analysis, Geospatial Data Management, and Data Visualization) and discuss the students' learning in the competency area, any strengths and weaknesses in their learning that they observed, and a brief explanation of the evidence that they are including (projects, labs, etc.). Additional details on the portfolio are available in a separate document.

I understand and acknowledge that to qualify for the USGIF Certificate, I must, at a minimum, have a cumulative average of "B" for all of the core courses, and get a "C" or better in each one. I also need to finish and graduate my major in Geographic Science or Intelligence Analysis to qualify. I also intend to declare my anticipated completion of the Certificate by the first week of my last semester at JMU, and that I must complete an e-portfolio to be eligible for the certificate. If I have any questions, I will ask either my academic advisor or a program coordinator for assistance.
I also understand that by declaring with this form that I want to pursue the USGIF certificate that JMU, specifically the Geographic Science Program or the Intelligence Analysis Program can't ensure that I will be able to enroll in all of the classes. In other words, the classes that are necessary for qualifying for the USGIF certificate are part of the IA or the GS major and students from each of these programs can register first for these classes to complete their major. Therefore, it might be that the students being enrolled in the USGIF certificate program might not be able to register for the classes if the seats are taken. The USGIF certificate program is not part of a degree program where JMU guarantees that you can enroll in all of the classes.

I have read and understand the contents of this document. I agree to the terms and conditions stated above.

Printed Student Name:_____

Signature:_____   Today's Date:_____