

THE Development of MODULES FOR THE ICA, Commission on Education and Training web course on cartography

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The current activity of the ICA Standing Commission on Education and Training is to produce an Internet Cartography Teaching Program for the teaching of basic cartography. The aim being to promote distant education and teaching of cartography throughout the Internet. Web course topics under development include: definitions, map projections, the nature of cartographic representation, generalisation, topographic mapping, statistical map design, colour use, map use, mathematical cartographic modeling, toponomy, copyright, reproduction processes, databases, digital mapping, graphic formats and conversion, internet mapping and cartometry.

Three of these topics are being developed under the coordination of David Fraser, the Australian representative on the Commission for Education and Training. These topics are: The nature of cartographic representation, Colour use and Cartometry.

This paper presents the current outcomes from the development of these modules and discusses the issues faced during their development.