A Survey of Courses Offered in Photogrammetry*

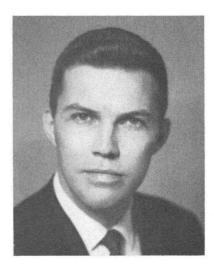
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Abstract: The A.S.P. Education Committee has recently conducted a poll of 213 educational institutions in the United States and Canada concerning courses and facilities available for teaching photogrammetry. The results of this investigation are presented in this paper.

URING the past decade, a number of investigations have been made into the status of photogrammetry in the educational institutions of the United States and to some extent in Canada.1,2,3 The Education Committee of the American Society of Photogrammetry, in order to meet its responsibility of maintaining complete current records, has again polled educational institutions in the United States and Canada concerning aspects of education in photogrammetry. In addition to helping to meet this responsibility, the general results concerning the degree of activity in education provide some insight into the vigor of the photogrammetric industry as a whole.

For the purpose of this poll of educational institutions, a questionnaire was prepared covering essentially the questions used in the 1958 poll by Dr. John McEntyre.² It was hoped that in this manner, coupled with some slight modifications of Professor Brinker's¹ results of 1951, a picture of trends in course offerings might also be obtained. Additional questions were included with regard to photo interpretation and correspondence courses in photogrammetry.

The questionnaire was sent to 166 college institutions in the United States, 19 in Canada, and 28 accredited technical institutes in the United States. The mailing list was compiled from the information published by the Engineer's Council for Professional Development for the year 1961. The questionnaire was addressed to the Dean of the Engineering College with the request that information from other departments within their respective schools be included in their re-



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sponse. The same questions were asked of all institutions polled regardless of location or type. Even though the questionnaire was designed with college institutions in mind, it was sufficiently general to permit a satisfactory response from the technical type institutions.

Two follow up letters were sent to all institutions which earlier had not responded. As a result, of the 166 United States Colleges contacted, 156 returned the questionnaire. This was a 94% response. Of the Canadian institutions, 16 replied; this represented 84% of those contacted; and 23 technical institutions answered representing 82% of those contacted.

A detailed table has been compiled from

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Table I
Programs with a Major in Photogrammetry

	Program			Semester Hrs.* in		Na Maj	imber iors i	of S n Ph	studer ologr	its w	ith etry		
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College Institutions, United States	Undergrad.	Master's	Doctorate	Department	Undergrad. Level	Undergrad. & Graduale Levels	Undergrad.	Master's	Doctorates	Undergrad.	Master's	Doctorates	Principal Photogrammetric Equipment Available
California, Univ. of		X	x	CE	3	20		2			5		Multiplex (6 proj. & 3 proj.), 1 photo- theodolite
(Berkeley) Cornell Univ. Georgia Inst. of Tech. Georgia, Univ. of Illinois, Univ. of Missouri School of	X X X	X X X X	x	CE CE Gg CE CE	6 12 12 3 6	12 12 20 11 10	2 8 5	$\begin{smallmatrix}2\\1\\4\\2\end{smallmatrix}$	3	3 16 5	7 5 4 5		theodolite Balpex (3 proj.), Wild A-7 with EK-3 Balplex Kelsh, Saltzman Enlarger Nistri Photocartograph—V
Mines & Met. Ohio State Univ.	х	X	х	GS	11	33		11	6		19	2	Multiplex, Kelsh, Wild A-7 with EK-3, Nistri TA-3, Zeiss & Balplex rectifiers, Wild RC-5 camera
Princeton Univ. Purdue Univ. Syracuse Univ.	V.	X X X	X	CE CE CE	3 6	3 9 33		5			1 1 3		Multiplex (3 proj.) Kelsh Multiplex (3 proj.), Kelsh, Balplex, Wild-phototheodolite, Zeiss-photo- theodolite, Wild C-12 camera, Wild P.U.G. II, Mann comparator 422C
Texas Univ. Wisconsin, Univ. of	X	X	Х	CE CE	6 3	15 12		1	1		2	1	Multiplex, Balplex Nistri Plotter
Canadian					(5								
Laval Univ. (Quebec)	x	x		DS	15	27							Multiplex (3 proj.), S.E.G. IV, Saltzman enlarger
New Brunwswick, Univ. of (Fredericton, N.B.)	X	X		CE	37	63	20	4		4			Kelsh, Balplex, Multiplex (9 proj.), Wild A-5, Wild phototheodolite, Wild C-12 camera
Toronto, Univ. of		X		AP	5	8	4			20	1		Multiplex (3 proj.), stereocomparator

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the questionnaire. This will become part of the records of the Society. It is the intention of the Committee that a similar survey be made by the Society at four-year intervals. In this way, a record of the growth of the educational facilities in photogrammetry will be made available. In turn, considerable insight with regard to the strength and growth of the profession may be obtained.

Of particular interest are the characteristics of the programs in those college institutions at which a student may major in photogrammetry. Table I contains data concerning these programs. Also included is a tabulation of the principal photogrammetric equipment available for student use at the respective institutions. More details are presented in the Appendix to this paper.

Even though somewhat aware of the dangers of attempting to compare results of separate studies, the Committee prepared a graph to portray trends in course offerings over the last ten years. Since the report of McEntyre did not include Canadian institutions, the results of Brinker's study had to be modified to remove the Canadian influence. Further, Brinker's results were from engineering schools only, thereby restricting the comparisons to such schools. From the modified results of the three studies, a rather clear comparison could be made of required course, elective course, and partial course offerings for the dates of the respective polls. (See Figure 1)

The significant results of the current poll are that 15.4% of the engineering college institutions contacted in the United States have required courses in photogrammetry, as part of their civil engineering curriculum with an average of 2.4 semester hours per school. In addition, 32.7% offer a photogrammetry course as an option in a civil engineering cur-

AP—Applied Physics CE—Civil Engineering

DS—Surveying
Gg—Geography
CS—Goodstin Sciences

^{*} Hours reported in the quarter system have been converted to their equivalent semester hour values.

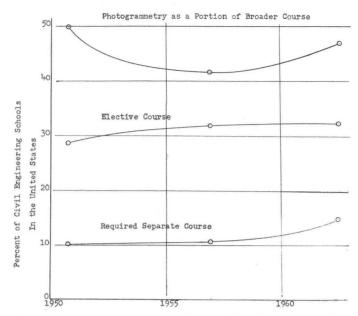


Fig. 1. Trends in photogrammetric education in United States engineering schools.

riculum with an average of 3.4 semester hours per school. Finally, 47.4% have photogrammetry as a portion of a broader course.

Of the Canadian Engineering College Institutions contacted, 50% have required courses in the civil engineering curriculum, with an average of 3.1 semester hours per school, 6% have elective courses in photogrammetry which are available in the civil engineering curriculum, while 50% offer courses of which photogrammetry is a portion.

The University of Southern California and Hartford State Technical Institute (Conn.) are the only schools contacted which show that photogrammetry is offered through a correspondence course. In both cases, the subject is treated as a portion of a broader course.

Three Technical Institutes in the United States indicated offers of specific course work in photogrammetry. Wentworth Institute of Boston reported the inclusion of photogrammetry in a geodetic surveying course.

Of all United States college institutions contacted, 32 have increased and 4 have decreased their course offerings in photogrammetry since 1958. The remainder of the responses indicate no change during that period.

In the institutions contacted in the United States, there are a total of 15 students enrolled in an undergraduate program leading to a degree with a major in photogrammetry, 28 enrolled at the master's level, and 13 cur-

rently working for the Ph.D. with a major in photogrammetry. In Canada, the corresponding numbers are 24, 4, and 0 respectively.

Since September, 1958, the schools in the United States which sent in reports have granted 24 bachelor's degrees, 52 master's degrees, and 3 doctor's degrees, all with majors in photogrammetry. In Canada, the results are 24 bachelor's degrees, 1 master's degree, with no higher degrees granted during that period. The totals to date of those granted degrees in the United States with a major in photogrammetry are 70 at the bachelor's level, 135 at the master's level, and 17 at the doctor's level.

It is concluded that educational activity in photogrammetry is gaining moderately in United States colleges. This should be encouraging. The subject of photogrammetry is in competition with the trend in engineering colleges toward increased emphasis on humanities and at the same time deemphasizing the general area of surveying and mapping.³

In Canada, educational strength in photogrammetry is indicated chiefly through the efforts of Laval University, the University of New Brunswick, and the University of Toronto.

There has been no significant change in course offerings by accredited technical institutions in photogrammetry since the poll of 1957.²

The author wishes to give credit and

TABLE II

	Programs with Either	a Major or Minor in Photogrammetry	hotogrammetry	e in Entire School	Photointer pretation Offered				
School U. S. College Institutions	Undergraduate Level	Graduate Level	Hours Available in Photogrammetry to Undergraduates	Total Hours Available in Entire School	Courses in Photointer	Individual at School Most Directly Concerned with Photogrammetry			
Akron, Univ. of Alabama, Univ. of Alaska, Univ. of Antioch College Arizona State Univ. Arizona, Univ. of Auburn Univ. Brigham Young Univ. Brooklyn, Polytechnic Inst.		*	2 3 4 3 5* 2 2	2 6 4 5 3 10* 2 12	x x x	Prof. D. R. Keller, C.E. Dept., Akron 4, Ohio Prof. L. A. Woodman, C.E. Dept., University, Ala. Prof. W. W. Mendenhall, C.E. Dept., College Alaska Vellow Springs, Ohio Mr. P. E. Borgo, Eng. Ctr., Tempe, Ariz. Prof. P. B. Newlin, Eng. College, Tucson, Ariz. Prof. W. G. G. Blakney, C.E. Dept., Auburn, Ala. Prof. G. Colder, C.E. Dept., Provo, Utah Prof. H. F. Soelmgen, C.E. Dept., 333 Joy St., Brooklyn, N. V.			
Bucknell Univ. California, Univ. of Cincinnati, Univ. of Citadel, The Clarkson College of Tech. Clemson Colorado State Univ. Colorado School of Mines Colorado, Univ. of Cooper Union		х	3 1 3 2* 3 3	3 20 1 3 3 2* 8 9	x x x x	Prof. R. J. Claus, C.E. Dept., Lewisburg, Pa. Prof. F. H. Moffitt, C.E. Dept., Berkeley 4, Calif. Prof. R. T. Howe, C.E. Dept., Cincinnati 21, Ohio Lt. Col. J. C. Key, C.E. Dept., Charleston, S. C. Prof. A. L. Straub, C.E. Dept., Potsdam, N. Y. Prof. J. R. Rostron, C.E. Dept., Clemson, S. C. Prof. C. Barney, Forestry College, Ft. Collins, Colo. Prof. F. E. Swity, Basic Eng. Dept., Golden, Colo. Prof. R. C. Rautenstraus, C.E. Dept., Boulder, Colo. Prof. F. H. Wallace, C.E. Dept., New York 3 Prof. A. J. McNair, School of Civ. Eng., Ithaca, N. Y.			
Cooper Union Cornell Univ. Georgia Institute of Tech. Georgia, Univ. of Hawaii, Univ. of Howard Univ.	X X X	X X X	6 16* 16* 3	12 16* 30* 3	X X	Prof. A. J. McNair, School of Civ. Eng., Ithaca, N. Y. Prof. J. O. Eichler, C.E. Dept., Atlanta 13, Ga. Prof. M. Prunty, Jr., Geography Dept., Athens, Ga. Prof. L. S. Daniel, C.E. Dept., Honolulu, Hawaii Mr. M. McDouglass, C.E. Dept., Washington 1, D. C.			
Idaho, Univ. of Illinois, Univ. of Illinois, Univ. of Iowa State Univ. Kansas State Univ. Kentucky, Univ. of Lafayette College Lamar State College of Tech. Louisiana Polytech. Inst. Louisiana State Univ.	x	x x	5 3 6* 3 1 ¹ / ₂ 3 2	7 11 12* 6 3 1 ¹ / ₂ 3	x x x x	Prof. M. W. Conitz, C.E. Dept., Moscow, Idaho Prof. H. M. Karara, C.E. Dept., Urbana, Ill. Prof. J. H. Senne, C.E. Dept., Ames, Iowa Prof. J. G. McEntyre, C.E. Dept., Manhatten, Kan. Prof. J. A. Dearinger, C.E. Dept., Lexington, Ky. Prof. V. A. Forss, Easton, Pa. Prof. J. R. Mays, C.E. Dept., Beaumont, Texas Prof. J. T. Painter, C.E. Dept., Ruston, La. Prof. W. A. Wintz, Jr., C.E. Dept., Baton Rouge 3, La.			
Maine, Univ. of Maryland, Univ. of			6 3	6 3	x	Prof. H. E. Young, Forestry Dept., Orono, Maine Prof. C. T. G. Looney, C.E. Dept., College Park,			
Massachusetts Inst. of Tech. Massachusetts, Univ. of Michigan College of M. & T. Michigan State Univ.		x x	3 3 4*	10 3 4*	x x	Md. Prof. C. L. Miller, C.E. Dept., Cambridge 39, Mass. Prof. W. W. Boyer, C.E. Dept., Amherst, Mass. Prof. W. M. Hass, C.E. Dept., Houghton, Mich. Dr. L. M. Sommers, Geography Dept., East Lansing, Mich.			
Michigan, Univ. of Minnesota, Univ. of Minsissippi State Univ. Mississippi, Univ. of Missouri, School of M. & M. Montana School of Mines Nebraska, Univ. of New Hampshire, Univ. of New Mexico, Univ. of	x	x	2 6* 3 3 6 3	6 6 3 6 10 6 2 4	x x x x	Prof. R. M. Berry, C.E. Dept., Ann Arbor, Mich. Prof. J. E. Fant, C.E. Dept., Minneapolis, Minn. Prof. E. Springer, C.E. Dept., State College, Miss. Prof. T. Gingles, C.E. Dept., University, Miss. Prof. E. W. Carlton, C.E. Dept., Rollo, Mo. Prof. W. B. Hall, Geology Dept., Butte, Mont. Prof. A. R. Legault, C.E. Dept., Lincoln, Nebraska Prof. P. R. Bruns, Forestry Dept., Durham, N. H. Prof. M. C. May, C.E. Dept., Albuquerque, New			
New York, City College of North Carolina State College North Dakota State Univ. North Dakota, Univ. of			3 3*	4 3 3*	x x	Prof. E. Keosaian, C.E. Dept., New York 31, N. Y. Prof. C. R. McCullough, C.E. Dept., Raleigh, N. C. Prof. J. A. Oakey, C.E. Dept., Fargo, N. D. Dr. Wilson M. Laird, Geology Dept., Grand Forks N. D.			
Northwestern Univ. Notre Dame, Univ. of Ohio State Univ.	x	x	3* 2 18*	3* 2 50*	x x x	Mr. G. C. Ward, C.E. Dept., Evanston, Ill. Prof. L. D. Groves, C.E. Dept., Notre Dame, Ind. Prof. A. J. Brandenberger, Dept. of Geodetic Sciences Prof. O. W. Mintzer, C.E. Dept., Columbus 10, Ohio Prof. C. L. Shermer, C.E. Dept., Athens, Ohio			
Ohio Univ. Oklahoma, Univ. of Oregon State Univ. Pennsylvania State Univ.			3 9 6* 3	3 12 6* 3	x x x	Prof. C. L. Shermer, C.E. Dept., Athens, Ohio Prof. A. J. Meyers, School of Geology, Norman, Okla Prof. G. W. Holcourt, C.E. Dept., Corvallis, Ore. Prof. H. A. Weeden, C.E. Dept., University Park, Pa.			

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School U. S. College Institutions	Undergraduale Level	Graduate Level	Hours Available in Photogrammetry to Undergraduates	Total Hours Available	Courses in Photointerp	Individual at School Most Directly Concerned with Photogrammetry		
Pittsburgh, Univ. of Princeton Univ. Purdue Univ. Rensselaer Polyt. Inst. Rhode Island, Univ. of Rutgers Univ. St. Louis Univ. San Jose State College South Dakota School of M & T Southwestern Louisiana, Univ.		x x	3 3 3 5	3 9 6 3 5	x x x x	Prof. J. M. Nutt, C.E. Dept., Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Prof. S. B. Irish, C.E. Dept., Princeton, N. J. Prof. S. A. Veres, C.E. Dept., W. Lafayette, Ind. Prof. G. R. Shaw, C.E. Dept., Troy, N. Y. Prof. K. Moultrop, C.E. Dept., Kingston, R. I. Prof. S. Sailor, C.E. Dept., New Brunswick, N. J. St. Louis 8, Mo. Prof. L. Bushnell, C.E. Dept., San Jose, Calif. Prof. Earl D. Dake, C.E. Dept., Rapid City, S. D.		
of Stanford Univ. Syracuse Univ.		х	6	5* 33	x	Prof. W. P. Wallace, C.E. Dept., Lafayette, La. Prof. A. D. Howard, Geology Dept., Stanford, Calif. Prof. D. C. Merchant, C.E. Dept., Syracuse 10, N. Y.		
Tennessee, Univ. of Texas A & M, College of			1½* 3	1½* 3	х	Prof. H. B. Aikin, C.E. Dept., Knoxville 16, Tenn. Prof. S. R. Wright, C.E. Dept., College Station, Texas		
Texas, Univ. of U. S. Air Force Academy	x	x	6	15	x x	Prof. R. D. Turpin, C.E. Dept., Austin 12, Texas Lt. Col. R. G. Taylor, Econ. & Geog. Dept. USAE		
Utah State Univ. Utah, Univ. of	х	x	7* 3*	10*	X X	Academy, Colo. Prof. W. A. Tingey, C.E. Dept., Logan, Utah Prof. C. G. Bryner, C.E. Dept., Salt Lake City 12,		
Villanova Univ. Virginia Military Inst. Virginia Polyt. Inst. Washington Univ. (St. Louis)			3 2 6* 2	3 2 12* 2	x	Otan Prof. W. J. McNichol, C.E. Dept., Villanova, Pa. Prof. S. W. Dobyns, C.E. Dept., Lexington, Va. Prof. H. L. Kinnier, C.E. Dept., Charlottsville, Va. Prof. N. C. Burbank, Jr., C.E. Dept., St. Louis 30.		
Washington, Univ. of Wayne State Univ. West Virginia Univ. Wisconsin, Univ. of Wyoming, Univ. of Yale Univ.	x	x x	8* 4* 3 3	11* 4* 3 12	x x x x	Mo. Prof. J. E. Colcord, C.E. Dept., Seattle 5, Wash. Prof. J. C. Partyka, C.E. Dept., Detroit 2, Mich. Prof. W. H. Baker, C.E. Dept., Morgantown, W. Va. Prof. E. C. Wagner, C.E. Dept., Madison, Wis. Mr. R. L. Champlin, C.E. Dept., Univ. Sta., Laramie, Wyoming Prof. R. P. Vreeland, 15 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn.		
Canadian College Institutions								
Assumption Univ. Laval Univ. McGill Univ. McMaster Univ. Univ. of British Columbia Univ. of Manitoba Univ. of New Brunswick Univ. of Saskatchewan Univ. of Sherbrooke	x	x	2 15 5 2 3* 37	2 27 5 2 3* 63	x x x x x x	Prof. Andre Frechette, Dept. of Surveying, Quebec Prof. L. J. Arcand, C.E. Dept., Montreal 2, Quebec Prof. G. A. Oravas, C.E. Dept., Hamilton, Ontario Prof. H. R. Bell, C.E. Dept., Vancouver 8 Prof. A. G. Larson, C.E. Dept., Winnepeg, Manitoba Prof. G. Konecny, C.E. Dept., Fredericton, N. B. Mr. W. B. McCoy, C.E. Dept., Saskatoon, Sask. Prof. M. Normandin, C.E. Dept., Sherbrooke, Que.		
Univ. of Toronto	x	x	5	8	X	Ont.		
Univ. of Western Ontario U. S. Technical Institutes					X	Prof. W. H. Davis, Eng. Science Dept. London, Ont.		
Oregon Technical Institute			2*	2*		Mr. W. Pausan Doot of Charles I D. 1		
Sacramento City College Southern Tech, Inst.			3 2*	3 2*		Mr. W. Rawson, Dept. of Structural Design, Klamath Falls, Ore. Mr. J. Lillie, Dept. of Eng., Sacramento, Calif. Prof. C. T. Holladay, Dept. of C.E., Marietta, Ga.		

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A New Approach to Surveying Education*

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THERE is continued interest in surveying education if recent articles in the professional journals are true indicators. This interest has ranged from the number of hours available in the curricula, also what is wrong or right with our teaching, and furthermore where surveying education should be taught. One of the best résumés of this total problem was presented in abstract to the 22nd Annual Meeting of the ACSM by Professor K. S. Curtis of Purdue in his paper entitled, "The Case of the Missing Curriculum."

The author prepared this paper for this ASP meeting only because there is now a working plan under his direction to assist in solving the serious problem of the best possible instruction in this subject area under current curricula.

One of the deficiencies attributable directly to the decline in quality of the surveying offering in the 1940's is the lack of solid theoretical background material available to the instructor who now finds himself placed in charge of instruction in this area. There is a current trend toward resurgent strength in the graduate area as shown in the offerings at The Ohio State University, Cornell, University of Illinois, Purdue, and other forwardlooking schools. However, these programs require a supply of good, interested students with sufficient background to begin true graduate work in Geometronics. Thus, it is obvious that there is need for competent and informed instruction in the undergraduate



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offerings whether it be given in Forestry, Geology, Civil Engineering, or in a separate department of Surveying. For this reason the University of Washington, in cooperation with the National Science Foundation, is offering an eight weeks Summer Institute in Geometronics for college teachers of Surveying and Photogrammetry.

The Institute objectives are obvious—that is to advance the theoretical training of teachers who are specializing in teaching of surveying and photogrammetry so that they will be familiar with the current research and the

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