RESOLVED, that the program in Geographic Information Science, leading to the Master of Science at Lehman College, be approved effective May 1, 2012, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: This 40 credit program will prepare students for theoretical and applied research careers in the field of geospatial sciences which has applications in employment sectors such as healthcare and environmental sciences. Students have the option of either a traditional master’s degree, preparing them for doctoral studies, or one that requires courses in public health and an internship, preparing them for direct employment.

Graduate degrees that integrate the sciences with other fields of study and include internships are part of a national effort to create science degrees more appropriate for industry employment upon graduation. These programs are known as Professional Science Master’s degrees and there are more in the planning stages throughout the senior colleges at CUNY.