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Depending on the instrument, acquisition time in the imaging mode is around 6 minutes.





www.gemini.edu/Overheads

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Depending on the instrument, acquisition time in the spectroscopic mode is around 15 minutes.





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When using the peripheral wave-front sensor, it is necessary to re-acquire the target every 45 min.





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Adaptive optics (AO) forms an integral part of the Gemini's current and future suite of instrumentation.





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The GCAL optics illuminate the instrument pupil in the same way as light from an astronomical source.





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Know your Gemini telescopes! (Mirrors, Plate scale, Focal plane, Throughput, etc...)





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Nighttime calibration has to be added to the requested Time, but is charged to the partner, not to your program.





www.gemini.edu/PIT-tutorial

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The Problem section in PIT lists missing items. Double clicking on an entry will take you to the relevant section.





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Sections like the Science and the Technical Justifications are prepared separately in a .tex or Word template.





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Define your target parameters (SED, spectral type, etc.) in the OT, so you may use the embedded ITC.





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| Make sure to Sync your program in the OT after you edit it. Or revert to the previous version, if needed.





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If the OT could not find a guide star automatically for any angle, ask your support scientist for help.





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Weather is often variable: consider constraints tradeoffs, if it does not compromise your science goals.





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Program Notes are an important and useful way to communicate with our observers.





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Providing accurate and useful finding charts optimizes the time spent in acquisition and aids in program completion.





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If you trigger a rapid ToO, make sure to indicate whether or not an immediate slew is necessary.





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Data from Gemini facility instruments are stored as Multi-Extension FITS (MEF) files.





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Check your data soon after they were taken, so you may get a chance to have them re-observed in case of problems!





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Garbage in, garbage out: a quick visual inspection of your data before reduction can save you time.





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There are many resources available to help with data reduction (tutorials, examples, cookbooks, etc.).





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Contact the Observatory and/or the NGO for any help you may need with your proposal, program or data.





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All Gemini raw data and some processed data are distributed via the Gemini Observatory Archive.





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Don't forget to acknowledge the Gemini Observatory in your publications ;)





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If used under **Great** or **Best** conditions on a program that is not complete at the end this round, you lose a reputation point.

Remote Eavesdropping is a great way to be a live part of your observations, without having to travel!





www.gemini.edu/Classical

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We strongly encourage the classical observer to meet with their support scientist assigned to the program.

