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Since this academic year grad students for MS in Hydrology program have begun to study the RS Minerva program, and this course will make it easier for them to quickly master and apply in practice.