

The Ohio State University
College of Arts and Sciences

Geography Minor (GEOG-MN)

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Overview

Geography is a unique discipline that integrates knowledge across the social and natural sciences to provide robust ways of understanding our world. The geography minor is intended to accommodate the interests and the needs of students from a variety of areas who want to develop a coherent educational program from the courses offered. In consultation with the Department of Geography's undergraduate advisor, students should meet to discuss and customize a program. Listed below are five customized sample plans, each focusing on core strengths of OSU Geography.

Minor Requirements

The minor in Geography requires five courses (a minimum of 14 credit hours) in Geography or Atmospheric Sciences. Courses need to be approved by the undergraduate advisor.

- No more than two courses can be at the 2000-level
- At least one course must be 4000-level or higher.
- No more than three credit hours may be of internship, research and/or individual study

Sample Plans

1. Our Urban World

Foundational Course:

GEOG 2500: Cities and their Global Spaces

Elective Courses:

GEOG 2400: Economic and Social Geography
GEOG 2750: World Regional Geography
GEOG 3300: Transportation Security
GEOG 3597.01: World Urbanization
GEOG 3600: Space, Power, and Political Geography
GEOG 3701: The Making of the Modern World
GEOG 3702: Life and Death Geographies
GEOG 3750: Geography of North America
GEOG 5300: Geography of Transportation
GEOG 5401: Economies, Space, and Society
GEOG 5402: Land Use Geography
GEOG 5501: Urban Spaces in the Global Economy
GEOG 5502: The Neoliberal City
GEOG 5602: Urban Political Geography
GEOG 5700: Geography of Development

2. Global Inequality

Foundational Course:

GEOG 2100: Human Geography

Elective Courses:

GEOG 2400: Economic and Social Geography
GEOG 2500: Cities and their Global Spaces
GEOG 2750: World Regional Geography
GEOG 3597.01: World Urbanization
GEOG 3600: Space, Power, and Political Geography
GEOG 3601: Global Politics and the Modern Geopolitical Imagination
GEOG 3701: The Making of the Modern World
GEOG 3702: Life and Death Geographies: Global Population Dynamics
GEOG 3750: Geography of North America
GEOG 3752: Geography of Latin America
GEOG 3800: Geographical Perspectives on Environment and Society
GEOG 3900: Global Climate Change: Causes and Consequences
GEOG 5401: Economies, Space, and Society
GEOG 5501: Urban Spaces in the Global Economy
GEOG 5502: The Neoliberal City
GEOG 5601: Geography of Governmentalities
GEOG 5602: Urban Political Geography
GEOG 5700: Geography of Development

3. Environment, Sustainability, and Development

Foundational Course:

GEOG 2800: Our Global Environment

Electives:

GEOG 3597.01: World Urbanization
GEOG 3597.02: Integrated Earthy Systems: confronting Global Climate Change
GEOG 3597.03: Environmental Citizenship
GEOG 3702: Life and Death Geographies: Global Population Dynamics
GEOG 3751: Geography of Ohio
GEOG 3800: Geographic Perspectives on Environment and Society
GEOG 3900: Global Climate Change: Causes and Consequences
GEOG 3901: Global Climate and Environmental Change
GEOG 3980: Biogeography: an introduction to Life on Earth
GEOG 5300: Geography of Transportation
GEOG 5401: Economies, Space, and Society
GEOG 5402: Land Use Geography
GEOG 5700: Geography of Development
GEOG 5801: Environmental Conservation
GEOG 5802: Globalization and Environment

4. *Networks, Locations, and Economies*

Foundational Course:

GEOG 2400: Economic and Social Geography

Elective Courses:

GEOG 2100: Human Geography
GEOG 2200: Mapping Our World
GEOG 3300: Transportation Security
GEOG 3597.01: World Urbanization
GEOG 3600: Space, Power, and Political Geography
GEOG 3750: Geography of North America
GEOG 3751: Geography of Ohio
GEOG 3752: Geography of Latin America
GEOG 3753: Geography of the European Union
GEOG 5275: Locational Analysis
GEOG 5300: Geography of Transportation
GEOG 5401: Economies, Space, and Society
GEOG 5402: Land Use Geography
GEOG 5501: Urban Spaces in the Global Economy
GEOG 5700: Geography of Development
GEOG 5802: Globalization and Environment

5. *Climate Change*

Foundational Course (Choose one):

GEOG 3900: Global Climate Change
GEOG 3901H: Global Climate and Environmental Change

Elective Courses:

Atmospheric Sciences 2940: Basic Meteorology
GEOG 2800: Our Global Environment
GEOG 2960: Introduction to Physical Geography
GEOG 3597.02: Integrated Earth Systems: Confronting Global Change
GEOG 3597.03: Environmental Citizenship
GEOG 3800: Geographical Perspectives on Environment and Society
GEOG 3980: Biogeography: An Introduction to Life on Earth
GEOG 5220: Fundamentals of GIS
GEOG 5270: Geographic Applications of Remote Sensing
GEOG 5801: Environmental Conservation
GEOG 5900: Weather, Climate, and Global Warming

6. *Meteorology*

See Atmospheric Science Minor

7. *Geographic Information Systems, Spatial Analysis, and Mapping*

See Geographic Information Science minor

Geography minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern minors.

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 14. 1000-level courses shall not be counted toward the minimum. No more than 2 courses can be at the 2000 level.

Transfer credit hours allowed At least half of the credits counting toward the minor must be earned in regular OSU coursework.

Overlap with the GE Permitted, no more than 6 credit hours.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor Approval

Minor course work must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

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