The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences  

Geographic Information Science Minor (GIS MN)  

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Overview  
The GIScience minor aims to provide fundamental training in GIScience that is needed for students from various disciplines to advance their career. The curriculum of the GIScience minor is based on that of the GIScience major, which includes a diverse range of courses that can be selected by students to count toward the proposed minor degree. These classes will provide students with extensive experience in mapping, geospatial analysis, geospatial modeling, environmental modeling, and statistical methods. Most the courses include a lab companion to give students hands-on training.

Minor Requirements  
The minor in GIScience requires a minimum of 15 semester credit hours of course work.

Required: 9 hours  
Students must take GEOG 5200 (3), 5210 (3), and one of the following three courses: 5222 (3), 5223 (3), and 5226 (3).

Electives: 6 hours  
Students must take two elective courses. All courses below may count toward the minor, unless taken as a required course. All these courses are 3 credit hours.  
GEOG 2200, 5100, 5201, 5222, 5223, 5225, 5226, 5229, 5275, 5300, 5402, 6220  

Geographic Information Science minor program guidelines  

Required for graduation No  

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hours. 1000-level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hours must be at the 3000-level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed  
A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE  
A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

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 counted 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  
The minor must be approved by the academic unit. Please see the undergraduate advisor for approval.

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. Please see the undergraduate advisor for approval.