Atmospheric Sciences encompass all aspects of the study of weather and climate. It includes severe storms and other systems that comprise our day-to-day weather. It also includes processes that create and change the Earth’s climate. Atmospheric scientists work on scales that vary from local weather at the surface to global features of weather and climate.

Overview

Minor Requirements
The minor in Atmospheric Sciences requires a minimum of 14 credit hours. All students must take either Atmospheric Sciences 2940 or Geography 5900. Students must choose an additional 11-12 credit hours from a list of courses in Atmospheric Sciences and Geography. Students should meet with the Department of Geography’s undergraduate advisor to customize a program.

Required: 3 hours
Atmospheric Sciences 2940 or Geography 5900

Electives: at least 11 hours
Students must take four elective courses. Students may count GEOG 3900 or 3901, but not both. Some courses in this minor have prerequisites; please consult the course bulletin and/or the geography advisor before enrolling in courses.

GEOG/Atmos. Sc. 5940 2 cr. hours
GEOG 5941 3 cr. hours
GEOG 5942 3 cr. hours
GEOG 5921 3 cr. hours
GEOG 5922 3 cr. hours
GEOG 3882 3 cr. hours
GEOG 3900 OR 3901 3 cr. hours
Atmos. Sc. 5901 3 cr. hours
Atmos. Sc. 5950 3 cr. hours
Atmos. Sc. 5951 3 cr. hours
Atmos. Sc. 5952 3 cr. hours

Atmospheric Sciences minor program guidelines

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 14 credit hrs. 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.