

GEOGRAPHY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Beginning Fall 2016

46 credits

Geography Major Requirements

The Geography major requires a minimum of 46 credits in Geography (or specifically noted Environmental Studies or Asian Studies) courses. The major requires 3 Introductory Core courses (12 credits) and 2 Advanced Core courses (8 credits) to provide the foundational knowledge of the discipline. 3 breadth Courses (12 credits) from across human geography, biophysical geography and GIScience are required, and 3 elective courses are required in a chosen Geography Concentration (12 credits). All students are required to take at least 1 course (2 credits) from the Launchpad to help them translate what they've done and learned into post-graduate work.

At least 36 credits for the major must be taken for a letter grade. A grade of C- or better is required for any course applied towards the major, and a GPA of 2.25 or better is required in courses used to fulfill the major.

Email the Undergraduate Advisor, Dr. Leslie McLees, at geogadvr@uoregon.edu with any questions. You can make an advising appointment at <https://UOGeographyAdvising.as.me/> For more information on the program and opportunities, and to see the complete list of courses that fulfill the categories below, visit <https://socialsciences.uoregon.edu/geography/undergraduate-programs/major-requirements>

1. Fundamentals

Everyone needs the fundamentals. These courses will stretch your understanding of the processes shaping our planet, sharpen your critical thinking skills, ignite a passion for learning, and might even surprise you.

1a. Introductory Core (3 courses, 12 credits)

Course #	Title	Term
GEOG 141	The Natural Environment	_____
GEOG 142	Introduction to Human Geography	_____
GEOG 181	Our Digital Earth	_____

1.b Advanced Core (2 courses, 8 credits)

Course	Title	Term
GEOG 391 (Required)	Social Science Research and Inquiry	_____
AND		
One 200-level course (or GEOG 199)		_____

2. Breadth (3 courses, 12 upper division credits)

Geographers traverse a wide range of topics and specialties. Here, students will gain the necessary breadth to put all the pieces together. Choose one course from each of the following. To see the courses that fulfill these requirements you can use the Geography Class List by Category. Available in the Geography Department office or [on this page](#).

Course area	Course number and title	Term
Human Geography	_____	_____
Biophysical Geography	_____	_____
GIScience	_____	_____

3. Concentration (3 courses, 12 upper division credits)

With this requirement, students gain greater depth of knowledge and skills in the area of geography that they are most interested in. Many students chose to complete more than one in order to expand their knowledge and skills. To see the courses that fulfill these requirements you can use the Geography Class List by Category. Available in the Geography Department office or [on this page](#). In an individual term, you can see the Course Plan for that year, [found on this page](#).

Choose **one** of the following concentrations and take **three** courses:*

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| Culture, Politics & Place | Environment, Economy & Sustainability | Environmental Systems |
| Water Science & Policy | Geographic Information Science | |

Concentration Course	Course number and title	Term
Course 1	_____	_____
Course 2	_____	_____
Course 3	_____	_____

4. The Launchpad (1 course, 2 credits)

What can Geography do for you, beyond the classroom? Here, students will gain tangible skills in research, professional development, leadership, and applying geographical concepts and skills beyond college. Choose **one** of the following:

Course	Term
GEOG 401: Research	_____
GEOG 403: Thesis	_____
GEOG 406: Practicum/ Internship	_____
GEOG 419: The Professional Geographer	_____
CAS 417: Career Readiness	_____

Notes (next steps, potential courses and/or schedule, courses needed): _____
