

GEOGRAPHY MAJOR: ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES CONCENTRATION

Requirements for a Major

Minimum requirement for the major is completion of a six-course (18 credit) core curriculum and one of five concentrations. Students will declare a concentration in either General Geography, Environmental Studies, Geographic Information Systems, Earth System Science, or Earth Science Education. Study Away/Study Abroad is strongly encouraged for geography majors.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		(18 credits)
GS-101 or GS-110	Physical Geography Meteorology	3
GE-102	Human Geography	3
GS-140	Physical Geology	4
GS-165	Geographic Information Systems I	4
GE-200	Geography Literature Seminar	1
GE/GS-400	Geography Seminar	3
Requirements for the Environmental Studies Concentration		(21-27 credits)
GE-258	Global Environmental Change	3
Two or three courses in Physical Geography or GIS (200-400 level)		6-9
Select three or four of the following:		9-12
GE-240		
GS-240	Coastal Environments	
GE-285	Sustainable Communities	
GE-307	American Public Lands: Environmental Issues	
GE-308		
GE-312	Sustainable Food Systems	
GE-341 or GE-342	Sustainable Housing And Techniques	
GE/GS-470	Selected Topics: Geography (with approval)	
Select one of the following:		3
GE/GS-460	Internship: Geography	
GE-410/GS-460	Independent Study: Geography	
GE/GS-450	Readings and Directed Research	
Total Credits		39-45

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Sample Timeline for Completion of Degree

Year One		
Semester One		Credits
LASC	First-Year Seminar (FYS)	3
EN-101	College Writing I	3
LASC	LASC Elective (QR)	3
GE-102	Human Geography	3
GS-101	Physical Geography	3
Credits		15

Semester Two		
EN-102	College Writing II	3
LASC	LASC Elective (CON)	3
LASC	LASC Elective (TLC) ¹	3
LASC	LASC Elective (GP) ¹	3
GS-140	Physical Geology	4
Credits		16

Year Two		
Semester Three		
GS-165	Geographic Information Systems I	4
GE	Environmental Elective	3
GE or GS	Environmental or Physical Elective	3
GE-200	Geography Literature Seminar	1
LASC	LASC Elective (ICW) ¹	3
LASC	LASC Elective (CA) ¹	3
Credits		17

Semester Four		
GE-258	Global Environmental Change	3
GS	Physical or GIS Elective	3
LASC	Lab Science (NSP) ¹	3-4
LASC	LASC Elective (USW) ¹	3
LASC	LASC Elective ¹	3
Credits		15-16

Year Three		
Semester Five		
LASC	LASC Elective (HBS)	
GE	Environmental Elective	3
LASC	LASC Elective (QR) ¹	3
LASC	LASC Elective ¹	3
SELECT	General Elective	3
Credits		12

Semester Six		
GS	Physical or GIS Elective	3
GE	Environmental Elective	3
LASC	LASC Elective (NSP) ¹	3
LASC	LASC Elective ¹	3
SELECT	General Elective	3
Credits		15

Year Four		
Semester Seven		
Select one of the following:		4
GE-410 or GS-410	Independent Study: Geography or Independent Study: Geography	
GE-450 or GS-450	Readings and Directed Research or Readings and Directed Research	
GE-460 or GS-460	Internship: Geography or Internship: Geography	
SELECT	General Elective	3
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SELECT	General Elective	3
Credits		16

Semester Eight		
GE-400	Geography Seminar (CAP)	3
SELECT	General Elective	3
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Credits		15
Total Credits		121-122

¹ The sequence of LASC courses marked with ¹ is a suggestion but serves as a reminder that LASC designated courses must be taken to satisfy the LASC requirements.

Students are required to meet with their academic advisor to review their courses for the upcoming semester. A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation. First-year and transfer students with 45 or fewer credits at the time of admission shall complete two academic programs (a major/major or major/minor) to qualify for graduation. For more information, please view the MajorPlus section of this catalog.