

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA): GEOGRAPHY: ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY

Required Prerequisites or Supplements to the Major:		
NONE		
Required Courses (9 hours)		
GEOG 3800	Geographical Perspectives on Environment and Society	3
GEOG 4101*	Undergraduate Research and Professionalization Seminar	3
GEOG 4100** OR GEOG 5100	Geographic Inquiry OR Spatial Data Analysis	3
Electives		
1. Choose three of the following Physical Geography courses (9-10 hours)		
GEOG 2800 OR GEOG 2960	Our Global Environment OR Introduction to Physical Geography	3-4
GEOG 3980	Biogeography: An Introduction to Life on Earth	3
GEOG 3900 OR GEOG 3901H	Global Climate Change: Causes and Consequences OR Global Climate and Environmental Change	3
2. Choose three of the following Human Geography courses (9 hours)		
GEOG 3702	Life and Death Geographies: Global Population Dynamics	3
GEOG 3597.03	Environmental Citizenship	3
GEOG 5402	Land Use Geography	3
GEOG 5700	Geography of Development	3
GEOG 5751	New Worlds of Latin America	3
GEOG 5801	Environmental Conservation	3
GEOG 5802	Globalization and Environment	3
3. Choose two of the following Methods courses (6 hours)		
GEOG 5100	Spatial Data Analysis	3
GEOG 5200	Cartography and Map Design	3
GEOG 5201	GeoVisualization	3
GEOG 5210	Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems	3
GEOG 5212	Spatial Database Design for GIS	3
GEOG 5225	Geographic Applications of Remote Sensing	3
GEOG 5226	Spatial Simulation and Modeling	3
	Minimum Total Major Hours	33

* Geography 4101 is an upper-division course meant to be taken in the third or fourth year of study; offered AU semester only

** Geography 4100 is a capstone course meant to be taken in the last year of study; offered SP semester only

GENERAL EDUCATION

Please visit <http://artsandsciences.osu.edu/academics/current-students/advising/ge>
to find your General Education Requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements for the major apply to all Arts and Sciences degrees.

Major requirements comprise at least 30 semester hours and can be substantially higher. Your major courses must be at the 2000 level or above. At least 20 hours of your major must be in courses offered by the department of the major. Note: Some interdisciplinary majors are excluded from the 20-hour rule.

You must earn at least a C- in a course for it to be counted toward the major. However, you must receive an overall 2.0 grade point average (GPA) for all major course work. If you earn a D+, D, or an E in a course needed for your major, the course cannot be counted on the major. Your academic advisor will decide if the course should be repeated or if another course should be substituted. Courses taken on a pass/non-pass basis cannot be used on the major.

Your department must approve all courses in your major. Some departments require a “major program form,” a document that must be signed by your academic advisor and submitted with your graduation application. Some departments do not require such a form because the academic advisors use an automated version on the degree audit report. Some departments require both. In any case, you should meet with your academic advisor early to plan the major; during your meeting, you can ask your academic advisor whether or not your department requires a paper major program form. Any changes or adjustments to your major should be made in consultation with your academic advisor.

If you have transferred from another institution, no more than half of the credit hours on your major program may consist of transfer credit. Your academic advisor, the chairperson of the department, and the appropriate assistant dean must approve any request for a variation in this policy.

If you are an Honors student, your GE curriculum and major must be approved by your Honors advisor. Information about the honors curriculum and requirements and how to schedule an appointment with an honors advisor is available on the College of Arts and Sciences Honors Program website: <http://aschonors.osu.edu/advising>. You will also be assigned a faculty advisor in your department of study to help you choose courses and co-curricular opportunities that align with your academic and professional goals.

For more information about internship and career opportunities, visit the College of Arts and Sciences Career Services Office. Their website is <http://asccareerservices.osu.edu/>.