BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GEOGRAPHY

COURSE | TITLE | S.H.
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**FIRST YEAR REQUIREMENT - STUDENT SUCCESS**
YSU 1500 | Success Seminar | 1-2
or SS 1500 | Strong Start Success Seminar | 
or HONR 1500 | Intro to Honors |

**General Education Requirements**

ENGL 1550 | Writing 1 | 3-4
or ENGL 1549 | Writing 1 with Support |
ENGL 1551 | Writing 2 | 3
CMST 1545 | Communication Foundations | 3

**Mathematics Requirement**

MATH 1510 | College Algebra |
or MATH 2623 | Quantitative Reasoning |
or STAT 2625 | Statistical Literacy and Critical Reasoning |
or STAT 2601 | Introductory Statistics |

Some courses are categorized in more than one knowledge domain. Courses can only be used once within the General Education model.

**Arts and Humanities (6 s.h.)**

**Natural Sciences (2 courses, 1 with lab) (6-7 s.h.)**

**Social Science (6 s.h.)**

**Foreign Language Requirement**

FNLG 1550 | Elementary Foreign Language | 4
FNLG 2600 | Intermediate Foreign Language | 4

**Required Major Courses (6 s.h.):**

At least 21 s.h. of GEOG courses must be at the 3700-level or above. Grade of C or better is required. Courses cannot be taken CR/NC and cannot count towards both the major and minor.

GEOG 1503 | Physical Geography |
GEOG 4890 | Geography Capstone |

**Select one of the following courses (3 s.h.):**

GEOG 2626 | World Geography |
GEOG 2640 | Human Geography |

**Select one of the following courses (3 s.h.):**

GEOG 2610 | Map Use and Interpretation |
GEOG 2611 | Geospatial Foundations |

**Regional Geography - Select one course from the following (3 s.h.):**

GEOG 3713 | Geography of South America |
GEOG 3715 | Geography of Middle America |
GEOG 3717 | Geography of Europe |
GEOG 3719 | Geography of the United States |
GEOG 3721 | Geography of Ohio |
GEOG 3750 | Topics in Regional Geography |
GEOG 5850 | International Area Study |

**Geography Skills - Select two of the following (6 s.h.):**

GEOG 3701 | Introduction to Geographic Information Science |
GEOG 3702 | Introduction to Remote Sensing |

GEOG 3712 | Thematic Map Design and Symbolization |
GEOG 3775 | Field Methods in Geography |
GEOG 3781 | GIS Applications for the Social Sciences |
GEOG 3782 | GIS Applications for the Natural Sciences |
GEOG 4801 | Advanced Geographic Information Science |
GEOG 4802 | Advanced Remote Sensing |
GEOG 5812 | Global Positioning Systems and GIScience |

Select at least 15 s.h. of additional Geography electives (at least 9 s.h. must be 3700-level or higher.)

Minor | 18

Electives to reach 120 hours | 18-20

Total Semester Hours | 118-122

Suggested Minors Include: Environmental Science, Anthropology, Geoscience, Sociology, Political Science, History

BA in Geography with GIScience Certificate

Suggested 4-Year Semester Plan

**Year 1**

**Fall**

YSU 1500 | Success Seminar | 1
GEOG 1503 | Physical Geography | 3
ENGL 1550 | Writing 1 | 3
MATH 1510 | College Algebra (Mathematics Requirement) |
or MATH 2623 | Quantitative Reasoning |
FNLG 1550 | Elementary Foreign Language | 4

Semester Hours | 15

**Spring**

GEOG 2626 | World Geography |
or GEOG 2640 | Human Geography |
GEOG 2610 | Map Use and Interpretation |
or GEOG 2611 | Geospatial Foundations |
ENGL 1551 | Writing 2 | 3
FNLG 2600 | Intermediate Foreign Language | 4
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course | 3

Semester Hours | 16

**Year 2**

**Fall**

GEOG 37XX-level Geography Regional course | 3
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course | 3
Social and Personal Awareness 15XX/26XX-level course | 3
Natural Science with Lab 15XX/26XX-level course | 4
Minor 15XX/26XX-level course | 3

Semester Hours | 16

**Spring**

Geography Elective 37XX-level course | 3
Geography Elective 26XX/37XX-level course | 3
Social and Personal Awareness 15XX/26XX-level course | 3
Social Science 15XX/26XX course | 3
Minor 15XX/26XX-level course | 3

Semester Hours | 15

**Year 3**

**Fall**

GEOG 3701 | Introduction to Geographic Information Science | 3
GEOG 3702 | Introduction to Remote Sensing | 3

GEOG 3713 | Geography of South America |
GEOG 3715 | Geography of Middle America |
GEOG 3717 | Geography of Europe |
GEOG 3719 | Geography of the United States |
GEOG 3721 | Geography of Ohio |
GEOG 3750 | Topics in Regional Geography |
GEOG 5850 | International Area Study |

Geography Skills - Select two of the following (6 s.h.):
CMST 1545  Communication Foundations 3
Elective 37XX-level course 3
Minor 15XX/26XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 15

Spring
Geography Elective 37XX-level course 3
GEOG 4802  Advanced Remote Sensing 3
GE Elective 15XX/26XX-level course 3
Elective 26XX/37XX-level course 3
Minor 37XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 15

Year 3
Fall
GEOG 4890  Geography Capstone 3
GEOG 37XX Geography Regional Course 3
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 15

Spring
GEOG 37XX Geography Regional Course 3
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course 3
Social and Personal Awareness 15XX/26XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 15

Total Semester Hours 122

BA in Geography Without GIScience Certificate

Suggested 4-Year Semester Plan

Year 1
Fall
GEOG 1503  Physical Geography 3
ENGL 1550  Writing 1 3
MATH 1510  College Algebra 3
FNLG 1550  or MATH 2623  Elementary Foreign Language or Quantitative Reasoning 4
LASS 1510  Exploring Critical Questions in LASS 3

Semester Hours 13

Spring
GEOG 2626  World Geography 3
or GEOG 2640  or Human Geography
GEOG 2610  or GEOG 2611  Map Use and Interpretation 3
or Geospatial Foundations
ENGL 1551  Writing 2 3
FNLG 2600  Intermediate Foreign Language 4
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 16

Year 2
Fall
GEOG 37XX Geography Regional Course 3
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course 3
Social and Personal Awareness 15XX/26XX-level course 3

Semester Hours 15

Spring
GEOG 37XX Geography Regional Course 3
Arts and Humanities 15XX/26XX-level course 3
Natural Science with Lab 15XX/26XX-level course 4

Semester Hours 15

Total Semester Hours 120

Learning Outcomes

Geography majors, upon fulfilling the requirements of the major, will:

- Demonstrate understanding of the fundamental themes of human and physical geography: region, movement, human/environmental interaction, landscape, and place.
- Demonstrate understanding of spatial patterns and processes in the human and physical environment.
- Effectively use, analyze, and interpret maps and other graphic representations of geographic information.
- Be proficient in geographic methods and techniques such as cartography, GIScience, remote sensing, and field methods.
- Effectively communicate geographic information in written and oral forms.
- Complete a research proposal that requires synthesis of relevant literature and development of a viable geographic research project.