

B.A. Honours Program: Major in Geography

Name: _____ Student # _____

About the Major

Students in Geography study human interactions with the environment at different scales, from community through to regional, national and global. Within the major, students are able to pursue focused topics, lines of interest and professional trajectories. Some examples include: nature conservation, climate change, social-environmental justice, food security, geomorphology, environmental policy and decision-making, urban-rural change, watershed management and community resilience. Geography B.A. Honours Majors are eligible to take the B.Sc. Honours program Minor in Applied Geomatics.

The Co-op program in Geography provides students with the opportunity to explore further and gain expertise through paid work terms in their field.

The 1000 level courses provide a foundation for the Geography programs and are prerequisites or are strongly recommended for many of the 2000 level courses. The 2000 level systematic courses are prerequisite to the corresponding advanced courses at the 3000 and 4000 level.

Checklist [based on the 2026-27 Academic Calendar]

This checklist guides you through the requirements, based on the [information posted in the Academic Calendar](#). In addition, you may use the “audit” feature in WebAdvisor to help you understand the courses you still need to complete and/or consult with an Academic Advisor. In the case of a discrepancy between what is described here and other sources, please refer to the Calendar.

1. B.A. core requirements: [4 credits](#)

(a) 1.5 from College of Arts in at least two departments;

(b) 1.5 from College of Social and Applied Human Sciences in at least two departments;

(c) 1 in natural and/or mathematical sciences.

A maximum of 2 credits may be from courses within the Geography degree: two .5 credit courses for condition (b) and two .5 credit courses for condition (c). An example of this would be

counting GEOG*1200 and GEOG*1220 towards condition (b) and counting GEOG*1300 or GEOG*2000 towards condition (c).

2. Geography core requirements: [9 credits](#)

- ___ GEOG*1200 [.05] Society and Space
- ___ GEOG*1220 [.05] Explaining Environmental Change
- ___ GEOG*1300 [.05] Introduction to the Biophysical Environment
- ___ GEOG*2000 [.05] Geomorphology
- ___ GEOG*2030 [.05] Environment, Justice and Society
- ___ GEOG*2110 [.05] Climate and the Biophysical Environment
- ___ GEOG*2260 [.05] Applied Human Geography
- ___ GEOG*2460 [.05] Analysis in Geography
- ___ GEOG*2480 [.05] Mapping and GIS
- ___ GEOG*3020 [.05] Global Environmental Change
- ___ GEOG*3480 [.05] GIS and Spatial Analysis
- ___ GEOG*4880 [.05] Contemporary Geographic Thought

1.5 more credits at the 3 or 4000 level: _____

1.5 more credits at the 4000 level: _____

3. Additional electives and Geography courses to bring the total to 20 credits:

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Other Honours Program Requirements:

- (a) You must complete at least 7 credits at the 3000 level or above
- (b) No more than 6 credits may be at the 1000 level
- (c) No more than 14 credits in any department may be counted towards an Honours Degree.
- (d) You must take at least 12 credits in courses offered by the College of Arts, the departments of Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology (in the College of Social and Applied Human Sciences and the Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics), School of Computer Science, or the Department of Mathematics and Statistics.
- (e) You must obtain a cumulative average of at least 70% on all *degree-related* course attempts at Guelph.
- (f) You must obtain a cumulative average of at least 60% on all course attempts at Guelph.