

B.S. Geography: General Accelerated to M.S. Geography*

Name:	Semester Admitted to WCU: Major Declared Date:	FOR STUDENTS ADMITTED STARTING AY 2025-2026			
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Table 1: Student information

Requirement	Credits	Course	Semester	Grade	Rep/W*
Academic Foundations					
First-Year Experience (FYE 100)	4				
WRT 120 or WRT 123	3				
WRT 200, or 204, or 205, or 206, or 208, or 220	3				
MAT > 103	3				
Diverse Communities (DIV)¹	3				
Interdisciplinary (INT)¹	3				
Science Distributives (2 different prefixes) ²	3				
	3				
Behavioral & Social Science (2 different prefixes) ³	3				
	3				
Humanities (2 different prefixes)	3				
	3				
The Arts	3				
Writing Emphasis⁴	3				
	3				
	GEO 400 - fulfilled in major				
Speaking Emphasis⁵	3				
	3				
	GEO 400 - fulfilled in major				
Ethics⁶	3				
Geography Core (24 credits)					
GEO 102 Physical Geography	3				
GEO 103 Human Geography	3				
GEO 225 Maps & Remote Sensing	3				
GEO 230 Environmental Conservation and Sustainability	3				
GEO 324 Introduction to GIS	3				
GEO 326 Geographic Analysis	3				
GEO 385 Field Methods	3				
GEO 400 Senior Seminar in Geography	3				
General Concentration Requirements (36)					

credits) ^{7*}					
Elective 1	3				
Elective 2	3				
Elective 3	3				
Elective 4	3				
Elective 5	3				
Elective 6	3				
Elective 7	3				
Elective 8	3				
Elective 9	3				
Elective 10	3				
Elective 11	3				
Elective 12					
Capstone (3 credits)					
GEO 404 Senior Project	3				
Other Electives to reach 120 credits					
(required for all baccalaureate degrees) ⁸	5				
*Up to 4 Elective courses can be replaced with a Graduate course- see details on Accelerated Page.					

Table 2: Required courses

General Geography Elective Course Options (12 Electives should be selected from the list below; others may be approved by your advisor):

GEO 200 Global Cities
GEO 204 Introduction to Urban Studies
GEO 213 GIS for Social Justice
GEO 235 Geography of Agriculture, Food, and Sustainability
GEO 307 Fundamentals of UAS and Image Analysis
GEO 310 Population Geography
GEO 312 Urban Geography
GEO 316 GIS for Climate Monitoring, Hazards, and Emergency Management
GEO 318 Economic Geography
GEO 325 Introduction to Business GIS
GEO 328 Computer Cartography
GEO 332 Environmental Crises
GEO 333 Sustainable Cities
GEO 334 Sustainable Living
GEO 338 Environmental Application of GIS
GEO 341 Landscape Ecology
GEO 352 Environmental Geopolitics
GEO 401 Internet Mapping
GEO 403 GeoDesign for Smart Cities
GEO 415 Internship in Geography
GEO 424 GIS Applications
GEO 425 Business GIS Applications
GEO 427 Geodatabases

PLN 214 Introduction to Planning
PLN 316 Planning for Resilient Communities and Natural Disasters
PLN 320 Land Use Planning
PLN 322 Land Development Controls
PLN 331 Transportation Planning
PLN 336 Environmental Planning
PLN 337: Land Conservation
PLN 354 Geography & Planning of Housing

- 1 GEO 204 Recommended
- 2 BIO110, ESS125 or SCI100 Recommended
- 3 PLN 214 Recommended
- 4 GEO 310 Recommended (also PLN 301, ENG 368/ENG 371)
- 5 GEO 332 or GEO 333 Recommended
- 6 GEO 213 Recommended
- 7 Choose 12 Electives from the list of GEO/PLN courses. Choose “groups” of courses that fit your academic interests and career goals. This will be done through Advising.
- 8 Note: The number of available, general electives will depend on the use of “Recommended” General Education GEO/PLN courses. Strategic use of GenEd courses allows for the additional of Minors and/or Sub-Baccalaureate Certificates.

Accelerated B.S. in Geography to M.S. in Geography Program

*Any Geography major with junior-standing in the Environmental Geography, Location Analytics, GIScience, or General Geography Concentration, with a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher may substitute up to 12 graduate credits (4 courses) to satisfy the B.S. program.

GEO 502	Topical Seminar in Geography
GEO 505	Planning Design
GEO 506	Seminar in Physical Geography
GEO 507	Internet Applications of Geographic Information Systems
GEO 521	Suburbanization and Land Development
GEO 524	Population Processes
GEO 525	Urban and Regional Planning
GEO 526	Metropolitan Systems and Problems
GEO 531	Transportation Planning
GEO 538	Environmental Modeling with Geographic Information Systems
GEO 554	Housing and Planning in America
GEO 577	Geodatabases
PLN 527	Planning Law and Organization
PLN 528	Economic Development Planning
PLN 536	Environmental Planning

Potential Graduate Course Substitutions

GEO 524 can replace GEO 324
GEO 507 can replace GEO 401
GEO 509 can replace GEO 326
GEO 531 can replace PLN 331
GEO 538 can replace GEO 338
GEO 556 can replace GEO 425
GEO 577 can replace GEO 427
GEO 584 can replace GEO 424
GEO 585 can replace GEO 385