A minor in geography is a natural complement to an array of careers, including engineering, government and international politics, environmental science, transportation, business, marketing, and public health. Any Mason undergraduate student is eligible to earn a minor in geography by completing 18-20 credits as outlined in the Requirements tab above; many qualifying courses also fulfill Mason Core requirements.

If desired, this minor can be pursued fully online; details can be found with Mason Online (http://masononline.gmu.edu).

**Requirements**

### Minor Requirements

Total credits: 18-20

Students should refer to the Admissions & Policies tab for specific policies related to this program.

### Core Courses

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Total Credits 6-7

### Systematic and Regional Requirement

Select one course in systematic geography and one course in regional geography.

**Systematic Geography:**

- GGS 301 Political Geography
- GGS 302 Global Environmental Hazards

**Regional Geography:**

- GGS 315 Geography of the United States
- GGS 316 Geography of Latin America
- GGS 320 Geography of Europe
- GGS 325 Geography of North Africa and the Middle East
- GGS 330 Geography of the Soviet Succession States
- GGS 333 Issues in Regional Geography
- GGS 380 Geography of Virginia

Total Credits 6

### Upper-level Electives

Students must take two upper-level GGS electives chosen in consultation with the minor coordinator.

Total Credits 6-7