

GEOGRAPHY MINOR

Banner Code: GEOG

Undergraduate Advising

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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 15-16 credits as outlined in the Requirements tab above; many qualifying courses also fulfill Mason Core (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>) requirements.

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

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00.

For policies governing all undergraduate programs, see AP.5 Undergraduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/>).

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15-16

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

Core Courses

Code	Title	Credits
GGG 102	Physical Geography (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3-4
or GGS 121	Dynamic Atmosphere and Hydrosphere (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
or GGS 122	Dynamic Geosphere and Ecosphere	
GGG 101	Major World Regions (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3

or GGS 103	Human Geography (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
Total Credits		6-7

Systematic and Regional Requirement

Code	Title	Credits
Select one course in systematic geography and one course in regional geography:		6

Systematic Geography:		
GGG 301	Political Geography (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
GGG 302	Global Environmental Hazards	
GGG 303	Geography of Resource Conservation (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
GGG 304	Population Geography (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
GGG 305	Economic Geography	
GGG 306	Urban Geography	
GGG 307	Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development	
GGG 309	Introduction to Weather and Climate	
GGG 312	Physical Climatology	
GGG 314	Severe and Extreme Weather	
GGG 321	Biogeography	
GGG 340	Health Geography	
GGG 344	Military Geography	
GGG 357	Urban Planning	
Regional Geography:		
GGG 315	Geography of the United States	
GGG 316	Geography of Latin America	
GGG 317	Geography of China (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
GGG 320	Geography of Europe	
GGG 325	Geography of North Africa and the Middle East	
GGG 326	Geography of Eastern Europe and Russia	
GGG 333	Issues in Regional Geography	
GGG 380	Geography of Virginia	
Total Credits		6

Upper-level Electives

Code	Title	Credits
One upper-level GGS elective (http://catalog.gmu.edu/courses/ggs/)		3
Total Credits		3