

**Example Four-Year Degree Plan
BS in Geography, 2026-2027 Catalog
George Mason University**

Fall, Year 1	Credits
GGG 101 or 121 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	3-4
Global Contexts or Natural Science Lab (Mason Core, opposite of above choice)	3-4
ENGG 101 (Mason Core)	3
HIST 125 (Mason Core)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	16

Spring, Year 1	Credits
GGG 102 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	3
GGG 103 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	3
COMM 101 (Mason Core)	3
MATH 105 (if necessary) or Elective (General elective)	3-4
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15-16

Fall, Year 2	Credits
GGG 110 (Major requirement)	3
MATH 113 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	4
Literature (Mason Core)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	16

Spring, Year 2	Credits
GGG 311 (Major requirement)	3
GGG Systematic (Major requirement)	3
IT and Computing (Mason Core)	3
Arts (Mason Core)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15

Fall, Year 3	Credits
GGG 310 (Major requirement)	3
GGG 379 (Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
ENGG 302 (Mason Core)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15

Spring, Year 3	Credits
GGG 300 (Major requirement)	3
GGG 366 (Major requirement)	3
GGG Upper-Level Elective (Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15

Fall, Year 4	Credits
GGG Regional (Major requirement)	3
GGG Upper-Level Elective (Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15

Spring, Year 4	Credits
GGG 415 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	3
GGG 485 (Mason Core/Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
Concentration (Major requirement)	3
Elective (General elective)	3
Total	15

This document is an *example* of a degree pathway for Geography students. For most of the courses listed above, you can take them in alternative orders and semesters. Geography students are strongly encouraged to work closely with an advisor to work through their own unique degree plan. Students should keep the following in mind:

- Satisfactory grades are required to receive credit for a course
- Choose Mason Core and Foundation courses from the list of approved courses
- Students must have a minimum of 45 credits at the 300/400 (upper) level
- Students should meet with their Academic Advisor at least once a semester to plan their semester schedule
- Get involved with student organizations: GGS has a student-run Geography Club
- Look into research opportunities
- Plan to complete an internship

Academic advising in the Department of Geography and Geoinformation Science at GMU is an integral part of the educational process. Our advisors are dedicated to creating an atmosphere in which students can discover their potential, set and reach individual goals, explore and plan appropriate academic study, and prepare for success after graduation.

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