



Northwest Missouri State University
 Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
 Geography (Minor Required)
 Bachelor of Science

First Year					
First Trimester			Second Trimester		
77-101	University Seminar	1	10-112	Composition II	3
10-111	Composition I	3	34-102	American Government & Politics	3
	Digital Literacy	3	32-102	People & Cultures of the World	3
	Social & Behavioral Science	3	32-221	Economic Globalization	3
32-101	Intro to Geography	3	27-114/15 OR 27-110/11	Gen. Earth Science & Lab OR Gen. Geology & Lab	4
33-155 OR 33-156	US to 1877 OR US since 1877	3			
Total Hours		16	Total Hours		16
Second Year					
First Trimester			Second Trimester		
32-201	Maps & Spatial Reasoning	3		Humanities	3
	Life Science & Lab	4	32-360	Dynamic and Synoptic Meteorology	3
29-102	Fund. of Oral Communication	3		Elective in GIS	3
17-114	*General Statistics	3	10-220	Introduction to Literature	3
	Minor Requirement	3		Regional Geography Elective	3
Total Hours		16	Total Hours		15
Third Year					
First Trimester			Second Trimester		
	Elective in GIS	3	32-361	Climatology	3
32-401	Conservation of Natural Resources	3	32-370	Natural Disasters	3
	Humanities	3		Fine Arts	3
32-462	Digital Cartography & Geovis.	3		Social & Behavioral Science	3
	Systematic Geography Elective	3		Cognate Elective	3
Total Hours		15	Total Hours		15
Fourth Year					
First Trimester			Second Trimester		
32-410	Geographic Approaches to Research	3		Cognate Elective	3
	Cognate Elective	3		Electives	6
	Electives	6		Systematic Geography Elective	3
	Regional Geography Elective	3			
Total Hours		15	Total Hours		12

Notes:

*Recommended Math Requirement

This sample plan is a supplement to your Degree Audit. Consult your advisor on a regular basis for individual academic planning.



THE NORTHWEST DIFFERENCE

Geography is a holistic discipline that studies the relationship between humans, the unique cultures of construct and the environments in which they live. This major prepares students for a wide range of careers in varied areas of geography and culture.

As a student majoring in geography at Northwest, you learn the importance and impacts of space, the uniqueness of places and regions, and how humans and environment interact.

The major focuses on culture and regional geography with a wide range of tropical and regional courses available. Students will develop physical geography expertise in areas like geomorphology, atmospheric process and sustainability. The major also teaches skills in analyzing, planning and critical thinking to prepare you for success in your career.

Minor in Geography

A minor in geography teaches students the fundamentals of maps and map interpretation, economic geography, North American geography and the thoughts and methods of geography. After taking the required courses, students can customize their minor from a list of approved electives. For a list of required courses, visit the academic catalog. This minor requires the completion of 24 credit hours.

STAND OUT FROM THE CROWD

Northwest understands that geography is a diverse field. We offer students the opportunity to pair the Geography major with a complementary minor. These minors have been specially designed to enhance your studies.

- Earth Science Education
- Emergency and Disaster Management
- Geographic Information Systems
- Geology
- History

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

95% placement rate

More than 95% of students who graduated with a degree in geography obtained employment or continued their education within six months after graduation.

The following is a listing of common positions for graduates with a geography major:

- Cartography Technician
- Geography Information Systems Analyst
- Retail Analyst
- Homeland Security
- Mapping Technician
- Urban Planning
- Precision Agriculture
- Graduate School in Geography