

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SCIENCE
COLLEGE OF ATMOSPHERIC AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES
 THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:
Summer 2016 through Spring 2017

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	
Total Credit Hours	120
Total Upper-Division Credit Hours	40
Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:	
Minimum in OU Coursework	2.25
Minimum in Major Coursework – Combined and OU	2.25
Overall – Combined and OU	2.25

Geographic Information Science
B450
 Bachelor of Arts in Geographic Information Science

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.			
GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS Courses graded P/NP will not apply.		Courses required for major support may <u>not</u> also fulfill University-Wide General Education Requirements	
University-Wide General Education (minimum 40 hours) and College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences Requirements Courses graded P/NP will not apply		MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS
<p>Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of Atmospheric & Geographic Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list at http://www.ou.edu/content/gened/courses.html.</p> <p>Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication (9-19 hours, 3-5 courses) A. English Composition (6 hours, 2 courses) 1. English 1113, Principles of English Composition 2. English 1213, Principles of English Composition, or EXPO 1213, Expository Writing B. Foreign Language (0-10 hours in the same language) Students who have not completed two years of the same foreign language in high school are required to take two college courses in the same foreign language. 1. Beginning Course (0-5 hours) _____ 2. Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours) _____ C. Mathematics (3 hours, 1 course). _____</p> <p>Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, 2 courses) including one laboratory component. 1. _____ 2. _____</p> <p>Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours, 2 courses) 1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government 2. _____</p> <p>Core Area IV: Humanities (12 hours, 4 courses) a. Understanding Artistic Forms (3 hours, 1 course) _____ b. Western Civilization and Culture (6 hours, 2 courses) 1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, or History 1493, U.S., 1865-Present, 2. _____ (excluding HIST 1483 and 1493) c. Non-Western Culture (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>At least three hours of Upper-Division General Education coursework must be completed outside the major.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Additional College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences Bachelor of Arts Requirements:</p> <p>Humanities or Social Science Elective (3 hours, 1 course). To be chosen from the University-Wide General Education Approved List. Humanities/Social Science: _____</p> <p>Natural Science Elective (3 hours, 1 course). With or without a laboratory component. To be chosen from the University-Wide General Education Approved List. Natural Science: _____</p> <p>Foreign Language (6 hours, 2 courses at the intermediate level). Intermediate Course (3 hours) _____ Intermediate Course (3 hours) _____</p>		<p>CORE (24 hours, 8 courses)</p> <p>GIS 2023, Intro. to Spatial Thinking 3 GEOG 1113, The Language of Maps 3 GEOG 1123, Intro. to Geohumanities 3 GEOG 3773, Geography of the U.S. 3 GIS 4013, Fundamentals of GIS 3 GIS 4253, GIS Applications 3 GEOG 4893, Research Methods & Professional Development 3 GEOG 4953, Geoinformatics Capstone Seminar 3</p> <p>Remote Sensing (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <p>GIS 4133, Fund. of Remote Sensing _____ 3 GIS 4233, Digital Image Processing _____ 3 GIS 4393, Automated Analysis of Spatial Grids _____ 3 GIS 4970, Topics (Remote Sensing), or Adviser-approved elective _____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3 _____ 3</p> <p>Statistics (7 hours, 2 courses)</p> <p>GEOG 3924, Quantitative Methods 4 GEOG 4313, Interpreting Society & Environment 3</p> <p>Computer-Related (6 hours, 2 courses) Two from the following: C S 1313, Programming for Non-Majors _____ METR 1313, Programming for Meteorology _____ MIS 2113, Computer-Based Info. Sys. _____ MIS 3013, Intro. to Programming _____</p> <p>_____ 3 _____ 3</p> <p>Applied GIS (3 hours)</p> <p>RCPL 4463, Geographic Information Systems for Land Use Planning 3 OR other adviser-approved course</p>	<p>Additional College Requirements (18 hours)</p> <p>Cognate Twelve hours (12 hours, to include 6 upper-division hours, 4 courses) in the same area, to be chosen from the following: economics, film & media studies, geography, history, journalism, political science, psychology, regional & city planning, sociology, women's & gender studies, or another adviser-approved area.</p> <p>_____ 3 _____ 3 _____ 3 _____ 3</p> <p>Additional Adviser-Approved Electives (6 hours)</p> <p>_____ 3 _____ 3</p> <p>Free Electives</p> <p>Electives to bring total applicable hours to 120 including 40 upper-division hours.</p>

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

TOTAL HOURS: A minimum of 127 semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed.

UPPER-DIVISION HOURS: A minimum of 40 upper-division semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed. OU courses numbered 3000 or above are upper-division. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

RESIDENCY:

- A minimum of two semesters must be spent in residence in the College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences.
- At least 36 of the last 48 hours must be completed in residence at OU.

INDIVIDUAL STUDIES: No more than six hours of independent study or directed readings may be applied toward degree requirements.

GRADEPOINT AVERAGES: Students must earn a minimum overall 2.25 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU.

Refer to the OU General Catalog for more complete information.

Suggested Semester Plan of Study — Bachelor of Arts in Geographic Information Science (B450)

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checklist for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences and/or Geoinformatics Program academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Atmospheric & Geographic Sciences, and Geographic Information Science major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER	Hours	SECOND SEMESTER	Hours
FRESHMAN	ENGL 1113, Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213, Principles of English Composition (Core I), or	3
	Beginning Foreign Language I (Core I)	5	EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I)	5
	Mathematics General Education (Core I)	3	Beginning Foreign Language cont. (Core I)	3
	Social Science (Core III)	3	GEOG 1113, The Language of Maps	3
			GEOG 1123, Intro. to Geohumanities	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14
SOPHOMORE	GIS 2023, Intro. to Spatial Thinking	3	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
	Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4	Natural Science (Core II)	3
	Humanities or Social Science elective	3	Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV)	3
	Intermediate Foreign Language (College elective)	3	Intermediate Foreign Language (College elective)	3
	HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, or	3	Computer Related Course	3
	1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV)			
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15
JUNIOR	GEOG 3924, Quantitative Methods	4	GIS 4253, GIS Applications	3
	GIS 4013, Fundamentals of GIS	3	GEOG 3773, Geography of the U.S.	3
	Computer Related Course	3	Remote-Sensing Course Requirement	3
	Remote-Sensing Course Requirement	3	Cognate Course	3
	Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3	P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15
SENIOR	GEOG 4313, Interpreting Society & Environment	3	GEOG 4953, Capstone	3
	RCPL 4463, Geographic Information Systems for Land Use Planning	3	Cognate Course	3
	Natural Science Elective	3	Cognate Course	3
	GEOG 4893, Research Methods	3	Cognate Course	3
	College Elective	3	College Elective	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 40 hours of upper-division (3000-4000) coursework.

This plan of study should not be used in lieu of academic advisement.

Remote-Sensing (6 hours, 2 courses)	Statistics (7 hours, 2 courses)	Computer-Related (6 hours, 2 courses)	Applied GIS (3 hours, 1 course)
GIS 4133, Fund. of Remote Sensing GIS 4233, Digital Image Processing GIS 4393, Automated Analysis of Spatial Grids GIS 4970, Topics (Remote Sensing), or Adviser-approved elective	GEOG 3924, Quantitative Methods GEOG 4313, Interpreting Society & Environment	C S 1313, Programming for Non-Majors METR 1313, Programming for Meteorology MIS 2113, Computer-Based Info. Systems MIS 3013, Intro. to Programming	RCPL 4463, Geographic Information Systems for Land Use Planning
Cognate Courses		Additional Adviser-Approved Electives	
Twelve hours (12 hours, 4 courses) in the same area, to be chosen from the following: economics, film & media studies, geography, history, journalism, political science, psychology, regional & city planning, sociology, women's & gender studies, or another adviser-approved area.		Six hours of additional adviser-approved electives.	
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