

## **B.A. in Geography / Geography Concentration Option**

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### **Advising Notes**

- The following overview is an example of what 8 semesters might look like for an incoming First-Year student. If you declare your major later or are a transfer student, your Geography program will likely follow a considerably different sequence.
- This is only a sample academic plan. Requirements are subject to change and may vary based on bulletin year, placement tests, AP/CLEP credit, transfer work, summer school, etc. The official degree requirements are found in the University Bulletin and all students pursuing a major in Geography should refer to their Degree Works audit through My Hofstra for their specific requirements for graduation.
- Geography has become more sought after by employers particularly for those with knowledge of GIS.
- All B.A. in Geography majors must choose a concentration option: Geography or Geographic Info System.
- All B.A. in Geography majors must declare a minor or a second major.
- A handful of Geography Major courses fulfill (“overlap”) more than 1 requirement such as GEOG 001/(BH) Behavioral Social Science and GEOG 002/(BH) Behavioral Social Science, plus a mix of additional options if selected such as GS 002/(CC) Cross-Cultural, GEOL 001 or 005/(NS) Natural Science, and SBLY 001 (IS)/ Interdisciplinary Studies which fosters an ability to pursue additional areas of study (such as a double major, triple major and/or 1 or more minors).
- Up to 6 credits of Distribution “Core” Requirements may be taken during Study Abroad.
- Our “European Odyssey,” provides our majors/minors with the opportunity to earn a full semester of credits while travelling through Europe. The European Odyssey, projected to run again in 2021, offers 15 semester credit hours of GS/GEOG course work while studying abroad.
- With proactive faculty and CUA advisement, we are willing to help our students tailor a program of study that’s right for them and help them shape rewarding post-Hofstra careers in our increasingly global future.
- We have a thriving student club, and a campus chapter of Gamma Theta Upsilon, the international geographical honor society.

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## 8-Semester Guide

### First Year

Fall Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
WSC 001	WSC 001: Must be completed with a minimum grade of C-	3
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	GEOG 001 (BH) Distribution "Core"	3
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	GEOG 002 (BH) Distribution "Core"	3
Foreign Language Requirement	Placement Exam Required	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(AA) or (CP)	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

Spring Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
WSC 002	WSC 001: Must be completed with a minimum grade of C-	3
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	GEOG 60	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	MATH (MA) - Depending on Math Placement Score	3
Foreign Language Requirement	Placement Exam Required	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(CC)	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

### Second Year

Fall Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Refer to DW audit for list	3
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Refer to DW audit for list	3
Minor Coursework		3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(HP)	3
Foreign Language or Alternative Option	Placement Exam Required	3
Elective (such as a PESP course)		2
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>17</b>

Spring Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Refer to DW audit for list	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(NS)	3
Minor Coursework		3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(LT)	3
Alternative Language Option	Submit Alternative Language Option request	3
Elective (such as a PESP course)		2
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>17</b>

### Third Year

#### Study Abroad (SA): Fall or Spring Semester or an entire year; not restricted to Junior Year

Fall Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Approved SA GEOG Major class (100 Level)	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	Approved SA Distribution class such as (IS)	3
Minor Coursework	Approved SA class may apply towards a Minor	3
Liberal Arts Elective	Approved SA class may apply as a LA Elective	3
Liberal Arts Elective	Approved SA class may apply as a LA Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

Spring Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Approved SA GEOG Major class (100 Level)	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	Approved SA Distribution class such as (LT) or (AA)	3
Minor Coursework	Approved SA class may apply towards a Minor	3
Liberal Arts Elective	Approved SA class may apply as a LA Elective	3
Liberal Arts Elective	Approved SA class may apply as a LA Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	GEOG 191	3
Distribution "Core" Requirement	(MA) or (CS) pr (NS)	3
Minor Coursework		3
Quantitative Reasoning Course	Check "Attribute Type" via My Hofstra Course Search)	3
Elective		3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

Spring Courses	Key Prerequisites/Notes	Credits
Major Coursework in (GEOG) Geography	Such as a GEOG 100 Level Honors Thesis	3
Liberal Arts Elective		3
Minor Coursework		3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Writing Intensive Course	Check "Attribute Type" via My Hofstra Course Search	3
Elective		3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

124 Total Credits Required

# B.A. in Geography Curriculum Worksheet / GEOG Concentration Option

COURSE	MAJOR & DISTRIBUTION OVERLAP	REQUIREMENTS	TYPICAL CREDITS	TYPICAL YEAR
<b>Writing Proficiency Requirements</b>				
WSC 001		COMPOSITION	3	First Year - Fall
WSC 002		COMPOSITION	3	First Year - Spring
	WSC 002	Writing Proficiency Exam (Must pass proficiency exam)		
	GEOG 191	Writing Intensive Courses (Completion of 2 Writing Intensive Classes)		
<b>Distribution "Core" Requirements</b>				
LT		LITERATURE (LT)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
AA or LT		APPRECIATION & ANALYSIS (AA) or LITERATURE (LT)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
AA or CP		APPRECIATION & ANALYSIS (AA) or CREATIVE PARTICIPATION (CP)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
NS	YES-Refer to DW audit for list	NATURAL SCIENCE (NS)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
MA		MATH (MA) - Depending on Math Placement Score	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
MA/CS/NS	YES-Refer to DW audit for list	MATH (MA) / or COMP SCI (CS) / or NATURAL SCI (NS)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
BH	GEOG 001	BEHAVIORAL SOCIAL SCIENCES (BH)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
HP		HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, RELIGION (HP)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
BH or HP	GEOG 002	BEHAVIORAL SOCIAL SCIENCES (BH) or HIST/PHI/REL (HP)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
CC	GS 002	CROSS-CULTURAL (CC)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
IS	YES-Refer to DW audit for list	INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (IS)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
	Check Attribute Type via My Hofstra Course Search	Quantitative Reasoning - Completion of 1 Quantitative Reasoning Class		Junior Year - Senior Year
<b>Foreign Language Requirements (Depending on Language Placement Exam Score)</b>				
001		FOREIGN LANGUAGE - Beginning Level 001	3	First Year - Junior Year
002		FOREIGN LANGUAGE - Beginning Level 002	3	First Year - Junior Year
003		FOREIGN LANGUAGE - Intermed. Level 001 or ALTERNATE LANG OPTION	3	First Year - Junior Year
	CLL/FRLT/ITLT/ITST/LIT/SPLT	ALTERNATE LANGUAGE OPTION	3	First Year - Junior Year
<b>Major Coursework in Geography (GEOG Concentration Option)</b>				
GEOG 001	(BH)	WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY (BH)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
GEOG 002	(BH)	HUMAN GEOGRAPHY (BH)	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
GEOG 60		INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS	3	First Year - Sophomore Year
GEOG	Refer to DW audit for list	TOPICAL AND METHODOLOGY COURSE	3	Sophomore - Junior Year
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GEOG	Refer to DW audit for list	TOPICAL AND REGIONAL COURSE	3	Sophomore - Junior Year
GEOG	Refer to DW audit for list	TOPICAL AND REGIONAL COURSE	3	Sophomore - Junior Year
GEOG	Refer to DW audit for list	MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE	3	Sophomore - Junior Year
GEOG	Refer to DW audit for list	MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE	3	Sophomore - Junior Year
GEOG 191		SEMINAR: GEOGRAPHIC METHODOLOGY	3	Senior Year
		A minimum of 15 GEOG Major credits must be taken at Hofstra A minimum of 12 credits in GEOG 100 level courses are required A minimum GPA of a 2.0 is required in your major		
<b>Elective Requirements (All Global Studies Majors must declare a minor or double major)</b>				
		ELECTIVES	43	Junior - Senior Year
<b>TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED</b>			<b>124</b>	

*A minimum of 94 credits in liberal arts are required / The last 30 credits must be taken in residence*