GEOGRAPHY: PRE-MINISTRY, BA

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2024-2025. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00
Total Hours: 120

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
English Composition		
See Academic Regulation 3.5 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition)		
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
or ENGL 1313	Critical Analysis and Writing I	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 1213	Composition II	
ENGL 1413	Critical Analysis and Writing II	
ENGL 3323	Technical Writing	
American History & Government		
HIST 1103	Survey of American History	3
or HIST 1483	American History to 1865 (H)	
or HIST 1493	American History Since 1865 (DH)	
POLS 1113	American Government	3
Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)		
Select one of the following:		3
STAT 2013	Elementary Statistics (A)	
STAT 2023	Elementary Statistics for Business and Economics (A)	
STAT 2053	Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (A)	
Humanities (H)		
Courses designated (H)		6
Natural Sciences (N)		
Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course.		
GEOG 1114	Introduction to Physical Geography (LN)	4
2 hours designated (N)		2
Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)		
Course designated (S)		3
Additional General Education		
Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S)		10
Hours Subtotal		**40**
Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I)		
May be completed in any part of the degree plan.		
At least one Diversity (D) course.		
At least one International Dimension (I) course.		
College/Departmental Requirements		
First Year Seminar		
(Transfer students with 15 hours exempt.)		1
Arts & Humanities		
(See note 2.a.)		9
Natural & Mathematical Sciences		
(See note 2.b.)		3
Foreign Language		
(See note 3.)		9
Non-Western Studies		
At least one course.		
(See note 2.d.)		
Upper-Division General Education		
6 hours outside major department		
(See note 2.c.)		
Hours Subtotal		**22**
Major Requirements		
Minimum GPA 2.50.		
Core		
GEOG 1113	Introduction to Cultural Geography (IS)	3
or GEOG 1713	Regions & Nations in Global Context (IS)	
GEOG 3213	Digital Worlds: Culture, Identity, and Community (H)	3
or GEOG 3713	Exploring North America and Diversity (DS)	
GEOG 4203	Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems	3
GEOG 4313	Field Techniques and Geodata Collection	3
Additional GEOG courses		
Select 18 hours (15 hours must be upper-division)		18
Pre-Ministry Preparation		
Select 15 hours from the following:		
Select 9 hours upper-division REL courses, with at least 3 hours with non-Western emphasis		9
Select 6 hours upper-division (non-GEOG) Culture and Society courses from the following or at the discretion of the advisor:		6
AMST 3253	Globalization and American Culture (H)	
AMST 3473	Race, Gender, and Ethnicity in American Film (D)	
CPSY 3003	Introduction to Counseling and Related Professions	
HIST 3363	Popular Religion in the West, 1300-1700 (H)	
HIST 3583	Minorities and Diversity in the Middle East (H)	
HIST 3953	Earthly Powers: Politics and Religion in Modern Europe	
PHIL 3613	Philosophy of Religion (H)	
SOC 3133	Racial and Ethnic Relations (DS)	
SOC 4043	Gender and Work (DS)	
SOC 4533	World Population Problems	
SOC 4653	Gender and the Middle East (IS)	
SOC 4383	Social Stratification (S)	
SOC 4723	Sociology of Families (S)	
Hours Subtotal		**45**
Electives		
13 hours of Electives		13

May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.) and 1 additional upper-division hour.

MATH 1483 or MATH 1513 required for students who do not place directly into STAT.

Hours Subtotal	**13**
Total Hours	**120**

Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- Minimum GPA 2.00 in all GEOG courses.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.

2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
   a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.
   b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
   c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department (http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
   d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
   e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. **Foreign Language Proficiency**
   a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
   b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
   c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. **Exclusions**. Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2030.

Example Plan of Study

Finish in Four Plan of Study

The plan below is an **example** of how students can successfully complete degree requirements in four years. This suggested class schedule plan may be used as a guide and can be adjusted based on individual needs. Students are required to meet with an academic advisor prior to enrollment each semester to plan their class schedule, and students are ultimately responsible for completing all degree requirements.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
GEOG 1114	Introduction to Physical Geography (LN)	4

GEOG 1113
    or GEOG 1713
	Introduction to Cultural Geography (IS)
	    or Regions & Nations in Global Context (IS)
		3

1713 First Semester Foreign Language		3
General Education courses		4
	Hours	**14**
Spring		
STAT 2013 　or STAT 2053	Elementary Statistics (A) 　or Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (A)	3
GEOG 2344	Digital Tools for Environmental Problem-Solving (LN)	4
1813 Second Semester Foreign Language		3
General Education courses		6
	Hours	**16**
Sophomore		
Fall		
2000-level Foreign Language		3
College and Elective courses		12
	Hours	**15**
Spring		
GEOG 4203	Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		12
	Hours	**15**
Junior		
Fall		
Major, College, and Elective courses		15
	Hours	**15**
Spring		
GEOG 4323	Mapping in Modern Society	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		12
	Hours	**15**
Senior		
Fall		
GEOG 4313	Field Techniques and Geodata Collection	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		12
	Hours	**15**
Spring		
GEOG 4510 　or GEOG 4993	Senior Project 　or Senior Honors Thesis	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		12
	Hours	**15**
	Total Hours	**120**