College of Natural Resources and Environment  
Department of Geography  
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Geography (BAGEO)  
Major: Geography  
(For students graduating in calendar year 2020)

**Student ____________________**  

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**Geography Degree Core Requirements (21 credits required)**

**Fundamentals:** 9 credit hours required  
GEOG 1004: Introduction to Human Geography (3)  
GEOG 1014: Introduction World Regions (3)  
GEOG 1104: Introduction to Physical Geography (3)

**Mapping and GI Science:** 12 credit hours required  
GEOG 1084: Digital Planet (3)  
GEOG 2084: Principles of GIS (3)  
GEOG 2314: Maps and Mapping (3)  
GEOG 3314: Cartography (3)

**Major Requirements:** 18 credit hours required - at least 12 credits at the 3000-4000 level

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GEOG 1115: Seeking Sustainability (3)  
GEOG 1116: Seeking Sustainability (3) Pre: 1115  
GEOG 1514: Introduction to Meteorology (3)  
GEOG 2004: Water, Environment, and Society (3)  
GEOG 2034: Geography of Global Conflict (3)  
GEOG 2054: Introduction to World Politics (3)  
GEOG 2064: The Global Economy and World Politics (3)  
GEOG 2214: Geography of North America (3)  
GEOG 2505: Weather Analysis I (3)  
GEOG 3104: Environmental Probs, Population, and Devo (3)  
GEOG 3214: Geography of African Development (3)  
GEOG 3224: Geography of Appalachia (3)  
GEOG 3234: Geography of Virginia (3)  
GEOG 3244: The U.S. City (3)  
GEOG 3254: The Geography of East Asia (3)  
GEOG 3274: Geography of Arctic and Subarctic Envir (3)  
GEOG 3304: Geomorphology (3) Pre: 1104 or 1004 or 2104  
GEOG 3404: Mountain Geography (3) Pre: 1104  
GEOG 3464: Appalachian Communities (3)  
GEOG 4044: Biogeography (3) Pre: 1104  
GEOG 4054: Geography of Wine (3)  
GEOG 4074: Medical Geography (3)  
GEOG 4084: Modeling in GIS (3) Pre: 2084  
GEOG 4134: Water, Hazards, and Development (3)  
GEOG 4204: Geography of Resources (3)  
GEOG 4214: Gender, Envir, and Intl Devo (3)  
GEOG 4354: Introduction to Remote Sensing (3)  
GEOG 4764: Intl. Development Policy and Planning (3)

**Geography/Cognate Elective:** 3 credit hours required

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ENGL 3764: Technical Writing (3)  
FREC 2114: Ecology of Appalachian Forests (3)  
FREC 2124: Forests, Society, and Climate (3)  
FREC 2214: Intro to Land and Field Measurements (3)  
FREC 2554: Nature & American Values (3)  
FREC 3104: Principles of Watershed Hydrology (3) Pre: Math 1226  
FREC 4374: Forested Wetlands (3) Pre: CSES 3114 or 3134  
GEOS 1034: Earth's Natural Hazards (3)  
GEOS 3014: Environmental Geosciences (3) Pre: Math 1226, GEOS 1004, Phys 2305  
GEOS 3034: Oceanography (3) Pre: Math 1226  
PSCI 1004: Nations and Nationalities (3)  
SBIO/FREC 2784: Global Forest Sustainability (3)  
SBIO 3324: Green Building Systems (3)  
STAT 3615: Biological Statistics - recommended if GIS minor (3)

**Statistics:** 3 credit hours required  
(STAT 3616 recommended if GIS minor)

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STAT 2004: Introduction to Statistics (3)  
STAT 3604: Statistics for the Social Sciences (3)  
STAT 3616: Biological Statistics (3) Pre: 3615

**GEOG Field Experience:** 3 credit hours required

1. XXXX 3954 or equivalent non-VT transfer credit from a foreign university: Study Abroad

2. GEOG 2964 or 4964: Field Study  
(Internship or Service Learning):

3. GEOG 2994 or 4994: Undergraduate Research

NOTE: The overall and in-major GPA required for graduation is 2.0. To make satisfactory progress towards the Geography degree, upon completion of 60 hours, students must have completed 15 hours in Geography. Courses for in-major GPA computation include all GEOG courses, and approved cognate electives.

Required minimum hours in the major is 48. Minimum number of hours for the degree is 120.
Curriculum for Liberal Education (CLE) Requirements (36 hours)

For approved Curriculum for Liberal Education course listings see: http://www.cle.prov.vt.edu/guides/

Area 1: Writing and Discourse (6 credit hours)

ENGL 1105 (3) 
ENGL 1106 (3) 
or ENGL 1204H (3) 
OR 
COMM 1015 (3) 
COMM 1016 (3) 

Area 2: Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values (6 credit hours)

Approved CLE courses

Area 3: Society and Human Behavior (6 credit hours)

Approved CLE courses

Area 4: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery (8 credit hours)

3 credit hours of lecture 1 credit lab
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Area 5: Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (6 credit hours)

Recommended mathematics sequences are: (Math 1014 and 1025) OR (Math 1535 and 1536) OR (Math 1014 and CS 1014)
Also approved: (Math 1525 and 1526) OR (Math 1225 and 1226) OR (Math 1025 and 1026)

Area 6: Creativity and Aesthetic Experience (1 credit hour)

Approved CLE course

Area 7: Critical Issues in a Global Context (3 credit hours)

Approved CLE courses

Foreign Language: A sequence of two (2) foreign language courses is required for graduation unless two (2) high school credits of the same foreign language or six (6) transfer credit hours of foreign language have been earned. These credits do not count toward graduation. See catalog section on “Graduation Requirements.”

Free Electives:

There are no hidden prerequisites on this checksheet

For more information about the BA in geography and geography careers contact: Maureen Deisinger, academic adviser at 231-6886 (mdesinger@vt.edu).

NOTE: GEOG students planning to double major in Meteorology, must complete at least 12 hours of GEOG coursework that is not being used to complete either major. In addition, students must complete two distinct 3 credit field experiences that apply to each major for a total of 15 additional credits.

In accordance with State Council guidelines, courses used to fulfill the SCHEV approved degree core (21 credits) may not be used to meet the Curriculum for Liberal Education (CLE) requirements.