



# Global Studies, B.A. *major*

A total of 120 semester credits are needed for the **Global Studies B.A.** degree and include the following:

- 40 upper division credits (level 3000/4000)
- 36 required major core credits
- Completion of Core Curriculum credits (Minnesota Transfer Curriculum [MnTC] Goal Areas 1-10) - required for all baccalaureate degrees
- Completion of BSU Focus and Nisidotaading Course Requirements

### Dual Degrees

Students wishing to complete two degrees concurrently, (example: Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts) must complete a minimum of an additional 30 credits above the required 120 credits.

### Multiple Credentials

Any additional major, minor or certificate in a degree must have at least 6 credits of course work not used to meet the requirements of another major, minor or certificate in the degree.

Required Credits: 36

Required GPA: 2.25

## I REQUIRED CORE

Complete the following courses (12 credits):

- GEOG 1400 World Regional Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 2100 Introduction to Physical Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 2200 Introduction to Human Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

## II REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY ELECTIVES

Select 2 of the following courses (6 credits):

- GEOG 3410 Geography of North America (3 credits)
- GEOG 3800 Regional Geography (1-3 credits)
- GEOG 3810 Geography of Europe (3 credits)
- GEOG 3820 Geography of East, South, and Southeast Asia (3 credits)
- GEOG 3840 Geography of Africa (3 credits)
- GEOG 3850 Geography of the Middle East (3 credits)
- GEOG 3860 Geography of Latin America and the Caribbean (3 credits)

## III GEOGRAPHY ELECTIVES

Select 18 semester credits in Geography courses at the 3000-4000 level

### Program Learning Outcomes | Global Studies, B.A.

1. Comprehend major global systems (politics, economics, cultures, environments), trends, and issues.
2. Apply critical thinking skills to analyze complex global problems.
3. Understand the interconnectedness of global issues and their impact on individuals and societies.
4. Articulate and evaluate the complex connections between local and

global phenomena.

5. Communicate effectively about international affairs.

### Suggested Semester Schedule | Global Studies, B.A.

The following is a list of major courses arranged by year. This suggested schedule is intended to help students plan their courses in an orderly fashion. Some courses or course sequences may appear more than once. Global Studies majors and Geography minors are strongly encouraged to meet with advisors in the program prior to selecting courses as all courses are not offered each year.

#### Freshman

- GEOG 1400 World Regional Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 2100 Introduction to Physical Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 2200 Introduction to Human Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- GEOG 3400 Economic Geography (3 credits)
- Core Curriculum requirements

#### Sophomore

- GEOG 3232 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- Regional Courses (select 4)
  - GEOG 3410 Geography of North America (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3800 Regional Geography (1-3 credits)
  - GEOG 3810 Geography of Europe (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3820 Geography of East, South, and Southeast Asia (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3840 Geography of Africa (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3850 Geography of the Middle East (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3860 Geography of Latin America and the Caribbean (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3870 Planning for Sustainable Cities (3 credits)
- ENGL 3150 Writing In The Disciplines (3 credits)(recommended)
- Complete Core Curriculum requirements

#### Junior

- GEOG 3531 Political Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 3532 Political Ecology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3XXX any remaining Regional Geography courses
- Spatial Methods electives (select 2)
  - GEOG 3226 Cartography (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3255 Introduction to Remote Sensing (3 credits)
  - GEOG 4190 Qualitative Methods in Geographic Research (3 credits)
  - GEOG 4265 Spatial Analysis (3 credits)
  - GEOG 4275 Advanced Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- Physical Geography electives (select 2)
  - GEOG 3125 Weather and Climate (3 credits)
  - GEOG 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)
  - BIOL 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)
  - GEOG 4130 Biogeography (3 credits)
  - GEOG 4140 Landscape Ecology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3XXX/4XXX Geography elective (3 credits)
- GEOG 4265 Spatial Analysis (3 credits)

#### Senior

- GEOG 3XXX any remaining Regional Geography courses
- GEOG 3XXX/4XXX any remaining Spatial Methods electives
- GEOG 3XXX/4XXX any remaining Physical Geography electives
- GEOG 3XXX/4XXX Geography elective (3 credits)

- GEOG 3870 Planning for Sustainable Cities (3 credits)
- GEOG 4190 Qualitative Methods in Geographic Research (3 credits)
- GEOG 4275 Advanced Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- GEOG 4990 Thesis (3 credits)