



University of Montana - Four-Year Academic Plan 2022-2023

W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation

Bachelor of Science (BS) in Geography - Community & Environmental Planning Concentration

This is an example of a four year graduation plan for a degree in Geography.

This is a sample academic plan. Students should meet with an academic advisor prior to registration to formulate their own plan.

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4	
Fall		Fall		Fall		Fall	
GPHY 121S - Human Geography	3	GPHY 284 - Intro to GIS & Cartography	3	GPHY 385 - Field Techniques	3	GPHY 400 - Geography Capstone	1
Math course - see catalog for options	3	STAT 216 - Intro to Statistics	4	GPHY 465 Planning Princ & Processes OR GPHY 466 Environmental Planning	3	GPHY 468 Comm & Reg Area Planning & GPHY 469 Analysis lab OR	4
WRIT 101 - College Writing 1	3	Intermediate Writing Course	3	GPHY 335 Water Policy OR	3	GPHY 486 Transport, Planning & GIS and Cartography & GPHY 489 GIS Lab	
Modern and Classical Language Course (101)	3	Science Elective - See catalog for options	3	GPHY 433 Community Resilience OR		Upper Division GPHY Course	3
General Education or elective	3	General Education or elective	2	GPHY 499 Senior Thesis		General Education or elective	6
				Upper Division Phys Geog Course	3		
				General Education or elective	3		
Credits	15	Credits	15	Credits	15	Credit	14
Spring		Spring		Spring		Spring	
GPHY 111N - Intro to Physical Geography	3	Physical GPHY Elective - see catalog for options	3	Upper Division Geography Course	3	Community and Enviro Planning Elective (2 of 2)	3
GPHY 112NL - Physical Geography Lab	1	General Education or elective	12	Community and Enviro Planning Elective (1 of 2)	3	Upper Division GPHY Course	3
Regional GPHY Elective - see catalog for options	3			General Education or elective	9	Upper-Division electives	9
Modern and Classical Language Course (102)	3						
General Education or elective	6						
Credits	16	Credits	15	Credits	15	Credits	15
Summer		Summer		Summer		Summer	
Credits	0	Credits	0	Credits	0	Credits	0
Total Credits	31	Total Credits	61	Total Credits	91	Total Credits	120

Notes:
See catalog or Advisor for more details. Students should consult with Advisor for selection of courses to meet requirements and electives, and career objectives.

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YOUR SIGNATURE CAREER READINESS PROGRAM Focus on the skills you need to succeed

Discuss Majors & Career Paths with Your Academic Advisor and a Career Coach

Create Your Handshake Profile

Take COLS 194 Freshman Seminar

Enroll in Four Bear

Take C&I 160 Learning Strategies

Attend the Student Employment & Involvement Fair

Participate in a Micro-Internship

Take a Career Interest or Personality Assessment

Participate in Service Saturday
Create Your LinkedIn Profile

Participate in ElevateU

Discuss Career Readiness Steps with a Career Coach

Draft & Review Your Résumé with a Career Coach

Practice Interview Skills

Explore Internship Options with a Career Coach

Declare Your Major & Minor

Consider Work, Service, or Intern Abroad

Participate in a Service Activity

Join a Major-Specific Student Club

Select a Faculty Mentor

Conduct Faculty-Led Research

Attend the Student Employment & Involvement Fair

Discuss Graduate & Professional School with a Career Coach

Update Your Résumé

Intern and/or Volunteer in Your Field

Present Research at UMCUR

Complete an Micro-Credential

Draft & Review Your Cover Letter with a Career Coach

Explore Peace Corps, VISTA & AmeriCorps

Take a Service Learning Course

Study Away (Domestic or International)

Practice & Polish Interview Skills with a Career Coach

Attend a Career Fair

Complete a Second Internship

Finalize Your Résumé

Finalize Your Cover Letter

Explore Student Loan Forgiveness

Ask for Recommendation Letters

Confirm Professional References

Review & Order Your Official Transcript

Apply for Peace Corps, VISTA, or AmeriCorps

Take the GMAT, LSAT, GRE, PRAXIS, etc.

Apply for Jobs, Graduate, or Professional School

Complete the First Destination Survey

Join UM Alumni Association

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TODAY'S EMPLOYERS EXPECT THAT CANDIDATES CAN:

1. Communicate Clearly
2. Work in Teams
3. Manage Time & Stay Organized
4. Think Critically & Solve Problems
5. Be Comfortable with Technology
6. Work with a Diversity of Peers
7. Be Workplace & Civic Leaders
8. Pursue New Skills

UM classes and experiential learning activities will help you develop and hone these important skills