

BA in Geography

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in Geography. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill Core 34, please visit the KU Core 34 page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/>).

Freshman

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3 GEOG 100, 102, or 103 (Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE)) ^{050*}	3
Core 34: Social and Behavioral Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3 Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3
GEOG 104 & GEOG 105 (Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE)) ^{040*,2}	5 Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3
1st Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5 2nd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5
	16	14

Sophomore

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
GEOG 358 (Major Requirement)	4 GEOG 111 (Major Requirement SPRING ONLY)	4
Core 34: Communications (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3 BA Quantitative Reasoning (QR)	3
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
3rd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	3 4th Semester Language, or 1st semester of Another Language (BA Second Language) ¹	3
	16	16

Junior

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
GEOG 316 (Major Requirement FALL ONLY)	4 GEOG Elective ⁴	3
GEOG Elective ⁴	3 GEOG Elective ⁴	3
Core 34: US Culture (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3 Core 34: Global Culture (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
	16	18

Senior

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
GEOG Elective ⁴	3 GEOG 500 (Capstone Major Requirement SPRING ONLY)	3
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ³	3
	12	12

Total Hours 120

- ¹ For students completing the language requirement via the 3+1 language option, note that many first semester languages are 5 credit hours.
- ² Students can also choose to complete GEOG 140 and GEOG 160 instead of GEOG 104 and GEOG 105.
- ³ Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through Core 34, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.
- ⁴ 8-10 additional credit hours selected from any 300-600 level GEOG classes for a total of at least 33 credit hours in major courses.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

* Courses with a * designate courses that are degree requirements but can also be taken to fulfill the KU Core 34 requirement. If another course is used to fulfill the Core 34 requirement, the course listed is still required as a degree requirement.

Notes:

* - This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

** - This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program's faculty.

*** - This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.