

BA in Geology

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in Geology. 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	Summer	Hours
Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	GEOL 360 or 370	2
GEOL 101 (Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE) ^{040*}	3	PHSX 111, 114, or 211 and 216	3-5		
GEOL 103 (Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE) ^{040*}	2	2nd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5		
CHEM 130 1st Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5	BIOL 100 BIOL 102	3 1		
	18		15-17		2

Sophomore

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
GEOL 311	3	GEOL 331 (Major Requirement) ³	4
EECS 138 (Major Pre- requisite)	3	Core 34: Communications (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3
GEOL 190, MATH 115, or MATH 125	3	Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3
3rd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	3	4th Semester Language, or 1st semester of Another Language (BA Second Language)	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3		
	15		13

Junior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer	Hours
GEOL Elective 300+ (Major Requirement) ^{2,3}	3	GEOL 521	3	GEOL 560 (Capstone Requirement)	3

GEOL Elective 300+ (Major Requirement)	3	GEOL 562 (Major Requirement) ³	4
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3	Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3	Core 34: Global Culture (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3
Core 34: US Culture (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3		
	15		13
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Senior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
GEOL Elective 300+ (Major Requirement) ^{2,3}	3	GEOL Elective 300+ (Major Requirement) ^{2,3}	3
GEOL Elective 300+ (Major Requirement)	3	Second Area of Study/Elective/ Degree/Junior- Senior Hours	3
Second Area of Study/Elective/ Degree/Junior- Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/Elective/ Degree/Junior- Senior Hours ⁰⁴⁰	3
Second Area of Study/Elective/ Degree/Junior- Senior Hours	2	Second Area of Study/Elective/ Degree/Junior- Senior Hours ¹	3
LA&S 490 (Recommended, or elective)	3		
	14		12

Total Hours 120-122

- ¹ 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.
- ² Geology majors are required to complete 15 hours of elective. The General Geology track offers electives in Solid Earth, Surface Earth, and Geology and Natural Resources. For a list of applicable electives see the degree requirements (<http://catalog.ku.edu/liberal-arts-sciences/geology/ba/#requirements>) tab.
- ³ All major required Geology courses and most Geology elective courses numbered 300 and above are offered once a year, either in the fall, spring or summer term.
- ⁴ Visit this page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/liberal-arts-sciences/#ba-quantitative-reasoning>) for a list of courses that fulfill the BA Quantitative Reasoning requirement.

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.

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.