BS in Geology with concentration in Earth & Space Science

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BS in Geology with a concentration in Earth and Space Science. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill KU Core Goals, please visit the KU Core website. (http://kucore.ku.edu/courses/)

Freshman

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours	
ENGL 101 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication (1 of 2))	3 ENGL 102 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication (2 of 2))	3	
MATH 125 (Goal 1.2 Quantitative Reasoning, Major Pre- requisite)	4 MATH 126 (Major Pre- requisite)	4	
CHEM 130 (Goal 3 Natural Science, Major Pred-requisite)	5 CHEM 135 (Major Pre- requisite)	5	
BIOL 150 (Major Pre- requisite)	3 LA&S 291 (UKAN Teach)	1	
LA&S 290 (UKAN Teach)	1 GEOL 101 & GEOL 103 (Major Requirement)	5	
	16	18	

Sophomore

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours Summer	Hours
Sophomore Reading & Writing Course (Goal 1.1 Critical Thinking) ¹	3 Social Science Course (Goal 3 Social Science)	GEOL 360 (Major Requirement) ³	2
Humanities Course (Goal 4.1 US Diversity)	HIST 510 (Goal 3 Humanities, UKAN Teach)	3	
MATH 127 (Major Pre- requisite)	4 PHSX 212 & PHSX 236 (Major Pre- requisite)	4	
PHSX 211 & PHSX 216 (Major Pre- requisite)	5 C&T 360 (UKAN Teach)	3	

GEOL 311	4 BIOL 152	3
& GEOL 312	(Major Pre-	
(Major	requisite)	
Requirement) ²		

	16		13		2
Junior					
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer	Hours
COMS 130 (Goal 2.2 Communication)		GEOL 304 (Major Requirement) ²	3	GEOL 560 (Goal 6 Integration & Creativity, Major Requiremen) ³	3
Social Science Course (Goal 4.2 Global Awareness)		GEOL 331 (Major Requirement) ²	4		
ATMO 105 (Major Requirement)	5	GEOL 521 & GEOL 523 (Major Requirement) ²	4		
C&T 366 (UKAN Teach)	3	C&T 460 (UKAN Teach)	3		
C&T 448 (UKAN Teach)	3	ASTR 191 (Major Requirement)	3		
	14		17		3
Senior					
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours		
Goal 5 Social Responsibility & Ethics	3	C&T 500 (UKAN Teach)	1-6		
CHEM 598 (Major Requirement)	3	C&T 598 (UKAN Teach)	1-5		
GEOL 562 (Major Requirement) ²	4	GEOL 500+ elective	3		
Earth & Space Science Elective - GEOL or ASTR (Major Requirement) ⁴	3				
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	16		5-14		

Total Hours 120-129

Geology BS majors are required to complete a third English, and a list of possible courses can be found under the Degree Requirements tab.

³ GEOL 360, GEOL 560, and GEOL 561 are offered only in the summer.

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.

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⁴ The Earth and Space Science concentration must complete electives in one of the following two areas: Geology Focus or Astronomy Focus. Course specifics are listed under the Degree Requirements tab.

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.

The same course cannot be used to fulfill more than one KU Core Goal. However, overlap of a KU Core course with a major or degree-specific requirement is allowed. Overlapping is recommended to allow more opportunities to explore other majors and/or minors.