

State University of New York at New Paltz

This **eight-semester plan** (see [important details](#)) is intended to guide a first-year student through a four-year undergraduate career, with completion of an academic major and all college-wide degree requirements. The plan is designed as an **advising tool** – a starting point for careful discussions between a student and his/her academic adviser. In consultation, the student and adviser will adjust the plan to accommodate the student's prerequisite needs, transferred credits, and other such variables.

Students are responsible for reviewing their [Progress Reports](#) each semester to track their own progress toward degree requirements.

Geography

Year 1

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Credits	Course	Credits
Gen Ed: Western Civilization (WEST)	3	Gen Ed: Composition (COMP)	3
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Gen Ed: Mathematical Inquiry (MATH)	3	Gen Ed: Humanities (HUM)	3
Gen Ed: The Arts (ART)	3	GEO202 Physical Geography (NSCI)	3
GEO201 Human Geography (SSCI)	3	Regional Elective (WRLD) - Note 1	3
Total	15	Total	15

Year 2

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Credits	Course	Credits
Gen Ed: Foreign Languages (FLNG)	3	Gen Ed: Foreign Languages (FLNG)	3
General Elective	3	Gen Ed: Diversity (DIVR)	3
GEO213 Economic Geography (SSCI)	3	GEO351 Geography of the United States and Canada (USST)	3
Statistics Cognate - Note 2	3	Elective	3
GEO342 Cartography	4	Elective	3
Total	16	Total	15

Year 3

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Credits	Course	Credits
GEO341 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems	4	Systemic Geography Elective - Note 3	3
Systemic Geography Elective - Note 3	3	Science Cognate - Note 4	3-4
Upper-division Elective	3	Upper-division Elective	3
Elective	3	Upper-division Elective	3
Elective	3	Gen Ed: Natural Sciences (NSCI)	3
Total	16	Total	15-16

Year 4

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Course	Credits	Course	Credits
Systemic Geography Elective - Note 3	3	GEO480 Internship in Geography	3-8
Systemic Geography Elective - Note 3	3	GEO481 Internship Seminar	1
Upper-division Elective	3	Upper-division Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective credits (if needed)	6
Elective	3	Total	13-18
Total	15		

Notes

Regional Electives (excluding [GEO351](#) Geography of the United States & Canada that is already listed in the eight-semester plan): [GEO211 World Geography \(WRLD\)](#), [GEO212 Cities of the World \(WRLD\)](#), [GEO354 Geography of Asia](#), [GEO355 "Emerging" China and Critical Geopolitics \(WRLD\)](#)

Statistics - must take one of the following courses: [GEO241 Spatial Statistics \(MATH\)](#), [MAT145 Statistics and Public Policy \(MATH\)](#), [MAT241 Introduction to Statistics \(MATH\)](#), [PSY275 Psychological Statistics \(MATH\)](#)

Systematic Electives (list excludes [GEO480/481](#) Internship/Seminar, already listed in the 8-semester plan): [GEO203 People-Environments Geography \(SSCI\)](#), [GEO214 Introduction to Urban and Regional Planning \(SSCI\)](#), [GEO231 Geography of Hazards \(NSCI\)](#), [GEO314 Issues in Urban Planning](#), [GEO321 Geography of Soils](#), [GEO331 Gender and Environment \(SSCI\)](#), [GEO332 Geography, Health and Environment](#), [GEO333 Advanced People-Environments Geography](#), [GEO343 Remote Sensing](#), [GEO411 Political Geography](#), [GEO431 Natural Resources: Utilization and Management](#), [GEO441 Geographic Information Systems Applications](#)

Science Cognate - must take one of the following courses (please note that [BIO340 Ecology](#) has prerequisites [BIO201](#) and [BIO202](#)): [BIO340 Ecology](#), [GLG201 Physical Geology \(NSCI\)](#), [GLG211 Physical Geology Laboratory](#)

Total Credits: 120-126