2022-23 WVU Geography Graduate Plan of Study (MA)

This Plan of Study (PoS) form should be completed during the first semester of course work in conversation with your advisor (or potential advisor) and submitted to the department graduate coordinator for approval. It is fully expected that changes will be made to the Plan of Study and as these occur you should submit an updated version to the department graduate coordinator. Initially the graduate committee can sign as the advisor.

This form becomes a formal agreement between the student and the program faculty as to the conditions that must be met for completion of the degree requirements.

The WVU Catalog is the official statement of requirements (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/eberlycollegeofartsandsciences/geologyandgeography/ma/). Please note that the University updates the Catalog only once a year, in the summer.

* Required

1. Date *

   Example: January 7, 2019

2. Revised? *

   Mark only one oval.
   
   ○ Yes
   ○ No

3. Student's Name *

4. WVU ID Number *

Course Requirements & Credits

1. At least 30 credit hours
2. GEOG 600: Colloquium (4 hrs/semesters required)
3. GEOG 601: Geographic Traditions/Thought (first Fall semester)
4. GEOG 602: Research Design (first Spring semester)
5. 9 hours of Geography Graduate Electives (not reflected in Fall 2022 catalog)
6. 5 hours of General Electives (not reflected in Fall 2022 catalog)
7. Students must choose either the Thesis or Project track. GEOG 797 (6 hrs) for Thesis track OR GEOG 780 (3 hrs) plus 3 credits of GEOG at 400 level or above for Project track

   NOTE: No more than six credits of 400 level courses may be counted toward meeting the degree requirements

5. Thesis or Project *

   Mark only one oval.
   
   ○ Thesis Option (Must Take GEOG 797: Research, 6 credits)
   ○ Project Option (Must Take Geog 780: Professional Project, 3 credits, plus another GEOG at 400 level or higher)

6. GEOG 600: Colloquium (4 Semesters, 4 hrs Required), Please write in the semester that the courses were completed or that you plan on taking them. *

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7. GEOG 601: Geographic Traditions/Thought (3 hrs, required). Please write in the semester that the course was completed or that you plan on taking it.

8. GEOG 602: (3 hrs, required). Please write in the semester that the course was completed or that you plan on taking it.

9. Geography Electives (9 hrs, required). Please write in the semester that the courses were completed or that you plan on taking them. (Please note that the Fall 2021 catalog has 14 Geography Electives, but that it is 9)

10. General Electives (5 hrs, required). Please write in the semester that the courses were completed or that you plan on taking them. (Please note that this is not in the Fall 2021 Catalog, but is our requirement)

11. Research Hours, Thesis Option (GEOG 797, 6 hrs required). Please write in the semester that the courses were completed or that you plan on taking them.

12. Research Hours, Project Option (GEOG 780, 3 hrs required). Please write in the semester that the courses were completed or that you plan on taking them.

13. Project Option ONLY - 3 credits in GEOG at 400 level or above (3 hrs, required). Please write in the semester that the course was completed or that you plan on taking it.

14. Thesis/Project Title (tentative is fine)

15. Thesis/Project Committee Members. Please write in the name of each committee member (3 are required). Write in TBD is not yet decided.

16. Student signature and date. By signing here, I confirm that I have spoken with my advisor (or the graduate committee if I do not have an advisor) and they agree to my Plan of Study.