

# GEOGRAPHY (BA & BS) ADVISING FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ UNIVERSITY ID NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Catalog Year \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL EDUCATION (LOWER DIVISION)**

- \_\_\_ ENGL 110C (Grade of C required )
- \_\_\_ ENGL 211C, 221C, or 231C (Grade of C required)
- \_\_\_ Oral Communications (COMM 101R, 103R, or 112R)
- \_\_\_ Mathematics, BS requires C- or better in STAT 130M. (STAT 130M is also recommended for BA students though 102M or 162M would also be acceptable.)
- \_\_\_ Language and Culture, BS students' competence must be at 102 level or meet the University's high school requirement. BA students must have competence through the 202 level and competence is not met by high school courses or having completed an Associate Degree.
- \_\_\_ Information Literacy and Research (GEOG 308 recommended)
- \_\_\_ Human Creativity (ARTH 121A, ARTS 122A, MUSC 264A, DANC 185A, THEA 241A, or COMM/THEA 270A)
- \_\_\_ Interpreting the Past: HIST 100H (World), 101H (Asia), 102H (Europe), 103H (Latin America), 104H (U.S.), or 105H (Africa)
- \_\_\_ Literature (ENGL 112L, ENGL 114L, or FLET 100L)
- \_\_\_ Philosophy and Ethics (PHIL 110P, 120P, 140P, 230E, 250E, 303E, 344E, 345E, 441E, or 442E)
- \_\_\_ Nature of Science, (8 credit hours of Natural Science with labs)
- \_\_\_ Courses do not need to be a sequence.  
*Note: OEAS 106N, 107N, 111N or 112N is recommended for one of the two nature of science courses*
- \_\_\_ Impact of Technology (GEOG 306T recommended)
- \_\_\_ Human Behavior, (ANTR 110S, COMM 200S, CRJS 215S, ECON 200S, 201S, 202S, FIN 210S, POLS 100S, 101S, 102S, PSYC 201S, 203S, SOC 201S, or WMST 201S)

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR (minimum 36 hours total)**

**FOUNDATIONS COURSES and REQUIREMENTS (15 to 21 hours)**

- \_\_\_ GEOG 100S
- \_\_\_ GEOG 101S
- \_\_\_ GEOG 300
- \_\_\_ GEOG 308 (C- or higher required; also meets Information Literacy and Research requirement)
- \_\_\_ GEOG 402 *and* 404; *or* GEOG 418 (B.S. only. B.A. does not need to fulfill this requirement)
- \_\_\_ GEOG 400W, 422W, 454W or 480W (C or higher grade required)

**ELECTIVE COURSES (15 to 21 hours)**

A minimum of **21 credits (BA)** or **15-18 credits (BS)** of additional 300/400-level elective courses in Geography to bring the student up to a total of 36 credits minimum for the major. In meeting these elective requirements, students are required to complete at least three courses (9 credits) at the 400 level. Up to 12 hours of pre-approved ocean, earth and atmospheric science courses (OEAS) may be substituted for geography elective credit.\* Three hours of internship credit may count towards the 36 hours of geography courses. All majors must complete a capstone paper in the junior or senior year.

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\*Suggested OEAS courses include: 306, 310, 344W, 412, 414, 436, 443, and 448.

**GENERAL EDUCATION (UPPER DIVISION)-CHOOSE ONE**

- Minor \_\_\_\_\_
- Second Major \_\_\_\_\_
- Second Degree \_\_\_\_\_
- Outside College Courses/ Option D \_\_\_\_\_

### **Additional Information for Geography Majors**

Be sure to complete and sign a Major Declaration Form at the Political Science & Geography Office.

You must have completed 26 credits and ENGL 110C and ENGL 111C prior to declaring.

You will be assigned a faculty advisor upon submission of the Major Declaration Form. You must meet with your advisor at least once every semester prior to course registration. You are free to choose your advisor.

Transfer students must complete at least 12 credits of upper level Geography courses here at ODU.

### **Additional Graduation Requirements**

Apply for graduation after completing 102 credits

Complete the on-line Senior Assessment Survey after applying to graduate

Complete the on-line Commencement Participation Form

Submit a Capstone Research Paper to the Political Science & Geography office. A description of the Capstone requirement is available from the Political Science & Geography office.

Maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0

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Obtain at least 120 overall credits.

### **Honors in Geography (B.A. or B.S.)**

Students must meet the minimum standards of the honors program, including the overall GPA of 3.25. Students wishing honors designation in the major for Geography fulfill all requirements for the given degree, BA or BS, and in addition, they must do the following (this does not increase the number of hours required for the major):

- a) Attain a GPA in the major of 3.5.
- b) Earn honors in nine (9) hours of courses in the major at the 300/400 level, with no more than six (6) hours taken from the same instructor. Independent study/internship courses are not eligible