

UW-Madison MS-Geog. Geography Degree Plan - Fall 2010

Name: _____ Advisor: _____ Campus ID: _____

Committee

Current term support: _____
 Fall 2010= _____ semester of funding
 Remaining funding guarantee= _____ semesters
 Started MS-Geog: _____

Cum GPA = _____
 cum credits = _____

BA/BS degree info: _____

Breadth Requirements

Date Planned/ Completed
 (Note – “waived” if completed prior to this degree program)

Physical geography _____
 Human geography _____
 People-environment _____
 Cartography _____
 Statistical methods _____

Program Requirements

Date Planned/ Completed - Course

Geography 765 _____
 Geography 766 (thesis proposal) _____
 Seminar 1 (3 cr) _____
 Seminar 2 (3 cr) _____
 Core course 1 _____
 Core course 2 _____
 Core course 3 _____
 Core course 4 _____

MS Geography (terminal)
 MS-Cartography/GIS
 requires 22 grad credits

———— YEAR 1 ————

Semester 1	Geog 765 coursework set advisor
Semester 2	Geog 766 coursework set committee thesis proposal
Summer (Yr1)	thesis research

———— YEAR 2 ————

Semester 3	thesis research coursework
Semester 4	write thesis defend thesis

Defense

Date Completed

Request final warrant _____
 (3 weeks before defense!)
 Final oral exam _____
 Thesis defense _____
 Thesis deposit _____

New/Updated information and notes:

The Student, Thesis Advisor and Sub-Area Counselor should sign below, indicating agreement about the plans for future completion recorded on this form.

Student	_____	Date	_____
Thesis Advisor	_____	Date	_____
Sub-Area Counselor	_____	Date	_____

Return updated form to the Graduate Director.

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Degree Plan Requirements and Notes:

1. Minimum 22 credits
 - a) 16 credits must be taken as a UW-Madison grad student
 - b) May include up to 6 research (Geog 990) credits
2. Maintain GPA = 3.0
3. Breadth Requirements – one course in each of:
 - a) Physical Geography
 - b) Human Geography
 - c) People-Environment Geography
 - d) GIScience
 - e) Statistical Methods
 - o These courses can count for both Breadth Requirements AND Degree Requirements (#4).
 - o Typically, these are not seminars
4. Degree Requirements:
 - a) Geog 765 + Geog 766
 - b) 4 Graduate-level courses
 - 300-level and above
 - At least 3 must be Geography
 - One can be counted for breadth
 - c) 2 (3-credit) Geography seminars involving 2 different faculty
 - May be counted towards 4 grad level courses (Requirement #4b)
 - d) Master's thesis
 - Proposal is typically completed in Geog 766 in 2nd semester
 - Research/data analysis typically completed in summer + 3rd semester
 - Final draft submitted and defended in 4th semester +/- summer.
5. Advisor and Committee
 - a) Your Advisor, who is also the chair (or co-chair) of your Committee must be graduate faculty in Geography (or affiliated with Geography).
 - b) Your Committee must have a minimum of 3 members, two of whom must be graduate faculty (or former grad faculty up to one year after resignation/retirement).