

UW-Madison PhD. Geography Degree Plan – current term
(for students entering the program IN/AFTER Fall 2014)

Name Advisor: CampusID
Committee Current term support:

Current term= **nth** semester of funding
 Remaining funding guarantee= **x** semesters
 Started PHD (initial degree term)

Cum GPA Years pre ABD =
 MS degree info: 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
- Seminar 1
- Seminar 2

Minor (9 crs): *Date Planned/Completed – Course* **Skills (6 crs):** *Date Planned/Completed – Course*
(Note: can use coursework taken as a UW-Madison Geography graduate student) *(Note: can use any coursework taken as a graduate student)*

Option:
 Area:

Credit Requirements *Fall 2014 and beyond start – 51 cr req’d (32 req’d as UW-MSN grad)*

Cumulative + in progress credits —
 Required credits still needed —

Graduate Coursework Requirement – 26 credits required

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Credits earned</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		Completed:
		remaining:

Preliminary Exams *Date* *(prelim warrant should be requested 3 weeks prior to proposal defense)*
Planned/Completed

- General qualifying exam
- Specific qualifying exam
- Proposal defense

Warrants (Prelim + Final Defense) - request 3 weeks before you need it!

To request your prelim warrant, email proposal defense date and committee membership to Graduate Program Director
 To request your final defense warrant, email title, defense date, committee membership to Graduate Program Director

New/Updated information and notes:

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Degree plan notes:

- Minimum credits
 - Pre-Fall 2014 entry: 32 credits (all must be taken as a UW-Madison grad student).
 - Post-Fall 2014 entry: 51 credits (32 cr must be taken as a UW-Madison grad student).
- Maintain GPA = 3.0
- Breadth Requirements (Typically, these are not seminars.) – one course in each of:
 - Physical Geography
 - Human Geography
 - People-Environment Geography
 - Cartography/GIS
 - Statistical Methods

- Degree Requirements:
 - Geog 765 (1 credit)
 - 2 (3 credit) research seminars offered by different faculty members (cannot count seminars taken previously as M.S. student)
 - Minor (2 options) (can use coursework taken as a UW-Madison Geog graduate student)
 - Option A – 9 cr in one dept outside of Geography
 - Option B (Distributed) – 9 cr in 2+ departments outside of Geography
 - Skills(4 options) (can use any coursework taken as a graduate student)
 - Competence in language other than English
 - Quantitative skills (6 cr of “intermediate” or “advanced” courses)
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 - Combination of quant + qual skills (6 cr of “intermediate” or “advanced” courses)
 - Preliminary or Qualifying Exams
 - General/Specific exam – varies by subarea
 - Dissertation proposal - must orally defended before a thesis committee
- Dissertator status
 - Completion of coursework + qualifying exams advances student to “Dissertator” status
 - Once a dissertator, continuous fall/spring enrollment for 3 credits is required.
- Dissertation
- Advisor and Committee
 - Your Advisor, who is also the chair (or co-chair) of your Committee must be graduate faculty in Geography (or affiliated with Geography).
 - Your Committee must have a minimum of 5 members
 - Four of the members must be UW-Madison graduate faculty (or former grad faculty up to one year after resignation/retirement).
 - At least one must be from outside of Geography
 - At least two must be UW-Madison Geography faculty

From the Graduate School

Five-Year Rule – Students have five years from the date of their preliminary examination to take their final oral examination and deposit their dissertation.