

MINOR IN GEOGRAPHY

2018-2019

A minor in Geography will serve students who wish to add an interdisciplinary perspective to their plan of study. The minor course of study enhances students' understanding of: how the processes of human and physical systems have arranged and sometimes changes the surface of the Earth; the spatial organization of society; and special distribution at all scales – local and worldwide – in order to understand the complex connectivity of people and places. Earning a minor in Geography also enables students to make sensible judgments on issues involving relationships between the physical environment and society. Finally, the minor in Geography is designed to foster a greater order to become a better global citizen.

Students must complete 15 hours as indicated below. All courses for minor credit must be completed with a grade of "C" or above.

HSH Requirements	UHCL Course Title	TCCNS*	CODE
Required Courses (12 hours):	GEOG 1301	Modern Physical Geography	
	GEOG 1303	World Regional Geography	
	GEOG 4312	Human Geography	
	GEOG 4321	Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems	
Elective Courses (3 hours):	GEOG 4300	Geography of North America	
	GEOG 4301	Urban Geography	
	GEOG 4302	Geography of Latin America	
	GEOG 4303	Geography of Texas	
	GEOG 4311	Historical Geography	
	GEOG 4317	Introduction to Globalization	
	GEOG 4322	Advanced Geographic Information Systems	
	GEOG 4323	Geographic Information Systems Design and Implementation	

General Minor Requirements

- Students must complete at least a minimum of 15 hours in the minor field.
 - At least 9 must be at the upper level (3300- and 4300-level classes).
 - At least 6 of the upper-level credits must be taken at UHCL.
- Students must earn a 2.00 minimum cumulative grade point average on courses in the minor at the University of Houston-Clear Lake. (GPA requirement may be higher in some minors.)

Some minors are associated with disciplinary programs, and some are interdisciplinary. Although the minor will not appear on your diploma, it will be noted on your transcript, which would be seen by future employers and others who review your academic record.

Keep in mind that because minors will require no fewer than 15 semester hours of course work, excluding prerequisite courses, **you must have 15 hours of electives available in your major degree plan.** Course substitutions to the minor degree plan may be made with the approval of both the major and minor advisors. Also, adding a minor to your program of study may not result in graduation requirements that exceed the approved length of your original degree plan and that the minor must be completed prior to graduation, not afterwards.

For more information, see the general and program requirements in the *Undergraduate Catalog*. For questions and academic advice, please contact Dr. Jeff Lash at lash@uhcl.edu.