Geology (2010-2011)

General

This is a **general curriculum** guide and is not applicable to every student and is not a replacement for meeting with your advisor.

-Assumes student has fulfilled the MTH 110 requirement-

Fall Semester – Year One	credits	Winter Semester- Year One	credits
CHM 115: Principles of Chemistry I	5	CHM 116: Principles of Chemistry II	5
GEO 111: Exploring the Earth (Gen Ed)	4	GEO 112: Earth History	5
MTH 122: College Algebra (Gen Ed)	3	Gen Ed.	3
WRT 150	4	Gen Ed.	3
Total	16	Total	16
Fall Semester – Year Two	credits	Winter Semester – Year Two	credits
GEO 211: Mineralogy	4	GEO 212: Petrology	5
MTH 123: Trigonometry	3	MTH or CIS or STA Elective ²	3-5
GEO Elective ¹	3	Gen Ed.	3
Gen Ed.	3	Gen Ed.	3
Gen Ed.	3		
Total	16	Total	14-16
Fall Semester – Year Three	credits	Winter Semester - Year Three	credits
GEO 311: Structural Geology	3	GEO 312: Sedimentation-Stratigraphy	4
GEO 320: Geomorphology	4	PHY Elective ³	5
MTH or CIS or STA Elective ²	3-5	WRT 305: Writing in the Disciplines ⁴	3
PHY Elective ³	5	Gen Ed. or Theme	3
Total	15-17	Total	15
Fall Semester – Year Four	credits	Winter Semester – Year Four	credits
GEO 485: Geology Seminar	1	GEO 495: Global Tectonics (Capstone)	3
GEO Elective ¹	3-5	GEO 485: Geology Seminar	1
Elective	3	GEO Elective	3
Gen Ed. or Theme	3	Elective	3
Gen Ed. or Theme	3	Gen Ed. or Theme	3
		Gen Ed. or Theme	3
Total	13-15	Total	16

^{*}Students must participate in an approved Summer Field Camp in Geology (taught by another college) for 5-8 credits*

Notes

- ¹6-8 credits of Geology electives must be completed. Courses must be at the 300-400 level. Geology theme courses at the 300-level cannot count towards the Geology major.
- ² Two math, computer science, or statistics classes must be taken. There are three options: MTH 201: Calculus I and MTH 202: Calculus II, OR STA 215: Introductory Applied Statistics and STA 216: Intermediate Applied Statistics, OR CIS 150: Introduction to Computing and CIS 162: Computer Science I.
- ³ Students must select two Physics classes; either PHY 220: General Physics I and PHY 221: General Physics II OR PHY 230: Principles of Physics I and PHY 231: Principles of Physics II.
- ⁴ Students who pass out of WRT 305 have room to take a GenEd, Theme, or elective course in this semester.

Special Notes:

- A. This is a general curriculum guide and will not work for everyone, especially those students who have AP or CLEP credit.
- B. Courses that have (*Gen Ed*) written after them are classes that are required in the major and also fulfill a section of the general education program.
- C. Remember to fulfill your 2 SWS requirements; 1 can be taken in the gen ed program and 1 in your major.
- D. Some classes are in multiple sections within the gen ed. If you take a course that can be counted in two categories, you can open up 1-2 more spots for geology electives.
- E. Geology majors are encouraged to take one of the following themes: Theme 02, 07, 11, or 23.
- F. You must have 120 credits to graduate from Grand Valley State University.

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor or an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center early in your career. The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585.

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