

GEOGRAPHY - MASTER OF ARTS (MA)

The basic purpose of the graduate program in the Department of Geography is to train scholars and professionals to produce and disseminate knowledge and to make outstanding contributions in the public and private sectors.

Students wishing to pursue graduate work in geography leading to candidacy for advanced degrees should read the Master's Degree Requirements (<https://catalog.colorado.edu/graduate/degree-requirements/masters-degree-requirements/>) section carefully.

Requirements

Prerequisites

For admission without deficiency and to meet the department mandatory requirements for a knowledge of basic geography, all entering graduate students are required to possess the knowledge presented in freshman-level introductory courses in physical and human geography.

General Requirements

The minimum requirements for an MA in geography may be fulfilled by completing 30 credit hours of graduate work (5000 level or above), including 4 to 6 credit hours of thesis work. Master's students may, with the written approval of their advisor, use a maximum of 6 hours of 3000- or 4000-level coursework to reach the required 30 hours.

Students are encouraged to have some background in college math and computer skills. Students are also required to have proficiency in basic statistics. This requirement may be met by having taken an undergraduate course in statistics.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
GEOG 5152	History and Theory of Geography	3
GEOG 5161	Research Design in Geography	3
GEOG 5023	Advanced Quantitative Methods for Spatial Data	4
or GEOG 5722	Field Methods in Human Geography	
GEOG 6950	Master's Thesis	4-6
Electives		
Select at least 14 additional hours of coursework at the 5000 level or above to meet the 30-credit minimum.		16-14
Total Credit Hours		30