

# GEOGRAPHY JOINT HONOURS COMPONENT (B.A.) (37 CREDITS)

**Offered by:** Geography (Faculty of Science)

**Degree:** Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Science

**Program credit weight:** 37

## Program Description

Students wishing to study at the Honours level in two disciplines can combine Joint Honours program components of Geography and another Arts discipline. As with the regular Honours program, the Geography component of Joint Honours focuses on the interactions among people, places, and the environment, and requires an Honours project, which entails independent, original research conducted over two semesters, normally in the final year of study, under the supervision of a department faculty member. The requirements for Honours programs vary considerably among units, so students interested in Joint Honours should consult an adviser in each department to discuss their course selection and research project(s).

In addition to the Faculty of Arts requirement that Joint Honours students maintain a CGPA of at least 3.00, students in a Joint Honours Component Geography program must maintain a program GPA of at least 3.30 to remain in the Honours program and receive an Honours degree. In addition to meeting these Geography requirements, students must meet the requirements set forth by the other unit.

### Degree Requirements – B.A. students

To be eligible for a B.A. degree, a student must fulfil all Faculty and program requirements as indicated in Degree Requirements for the Faculty of Arts.

We recommend that students consult an Arts OASIS advisor for degree planning.

**Note:** For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

## Required Courses (13 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
GEOG 201	Introductory Geo-Information Science.	3
GEOG 216	Geography of the World Economy.	3
GEOG 290	Local Geographical Excursion.	1
GEOG 351	Quantitative Methods.	3
GEOG 381	Geographic Thought and Practice.	3

## Complementary Courses (24 credits)

### Introductory Physical Geography

3 credits from:

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Course	Title	Credits
GEOG 203	Environmental Systems.	3
GEOG 272	Earth's Changing Surface.	3

### Statistics

3 credits from:

Note: Credit given for statistics courses is subject to certain restrictions. Students should consult the "Course Overlap" information in the "Course Requirements" section for the Faculty of Arts.

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Course	Title	Credits
BIOL 373	Biometry.	3
GEOG 202	Statistics and Spatial Analysis.	3
MATH 203	Principles of Statistics 1.	3
PSYC 204	Introduction to Psychological Statistics.	3
SOCI 350	Statistics in Social Research.	3

### Research

3-6 credits of research courses. Where both departments require an Honours Thesis, the student has the option of submitting the thesis to either department. If the thesis is submitted to the other department, then the student must register for GEOG 492D1 Joint Honours Research./GEOG 492D2 Joint Honours Research.. In some cases, it is required that the thesis be jointly supervised by faculty of both departments.

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Course	Title	Credits
GEOG 491D1	Honours Research.	3
GEOG 491D2	Honours Research.	3
GEOG 492D1	Joint Honours Research.	1.5
GEOG 492D2	Joint Honours Research.	1.5

### Geography

12-15 credits from a coherent set of Geography (GEOG) courses excluding GEOG 200 Geographical Perspectives: World Environmental Problems. and GEOG 205 Global Change: Past, Present and Future., approved by the Program Adviser. Including a field course is desirable. No more than 6 credits may be taken from 200-level courses.