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These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's <u>core regulations for undergraduate programmes</u>, and the <u>marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes</u>.

## MSci Geography (F802)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time mode of study.

#### Level 1 (Certificate)

2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Human Geography: Space and Place in a Changing World #	<b>GEOG1071</b>	20
Introduction to Geographical Research (BSc) #	<b>GEOG1232</b>	40
Physical Geography #	<u>GEOG1081</u>	20

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List A:

List A:		Credit value
Environment and Society	GEOG1061	20
Geographies of Crisis	GEOG1241	20
Understanding Earth's Challenges	GEOG1251	20
Level 1 Module(s) up to the value of 40 credits offered by any		20 or 40
other Boards of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing		
language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign		
Language Study), subject to timetable compatibility		

#### Level 2 (Diploma)

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Scientific Research in Geography #	<u>GEOG2462</u>	40
Handling Spatial Data #	GEOG2591	20

5. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List B:

List B:		Credit value
Climate Change: Geographical Perspectives	<u>GEOG2661</u>	20
Environmental Processes and Governance	<u>GEOG2551</u>	20
Fluvial Systems	<u>GEOG2521</u>	20
Geochemistry of the Environment	<u>GEOG2651</u>	20
Glaciers and Glaciation	<u>GEOG2531</u>	20
Global Environmental Change	<u>GEOG2571</u>	20
Mountain Landscapes	GEOG2611	20

6. Candidates may also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List C, subject to timetable compatibility:

List C:		Credit value
Economic Geography	<u>GEOG2641</u>	20
Geographies of Development	<u>GEOG2541</u>	20
Political Geography	GEOG2581	20
Social and Cultural Geography	<u>GEOG2561</u>	20
Theory and Concepts in Human Geography	GEOG2621	20
Urban Geography	GEOG2511	20

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### Level 3 (Degree)

7. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

Credit value

20

Dissertation GEOG3432 40

8. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 80 credits taken from List D or E.

List D: (select up to 80 credits):		Credit value
Environmental Processes and Change: Field Case Studies ¥	<b>GEOG3491</b>	20
Environmental Remote Sensing	<b>GEOG3261</b>	20
Field Research in Glacial Environments: Iceland Case Study ¥	<b>GEOG3691</b>	20
Natural Hazards in a Vulnerable World	<b>GEOG3621</b>	20
Oceans Past and Present	<b>GEOG3641</b>	20
River Dynamics	<b>GEOG3461</b>	20
Sea Level Change and Coastal Evolution	<b>GEOG3191</b>	20
The Arctic ¥	<b>GEOG3521</b>	20
The Quaternary of Glaciated Regions	<b>GEOG3511</b>	20

List E: (select up to 40 credits; an equal number of 10 credit		Credit value
modules must be selected from Terms 1 and 2):		
Antarctic Environments	GEOG3817	10
Geochemical Applications: Across Continents and Oceans	<b>GEOG3827</b>	10
Integrated Catchment Modelling for Catchment Management	<b>GEOG3987</b>	10
Landslides	GEOG3807	10
Martian Landscapes	<b>GEOG3897</b>	10
Peatland Geomorphology	<b>GEOG3947</b>	10
WaterWorlds and Well-Being	<b>GEOG3177</b>	10

### Level 3 (Degree) Returning Year Abroad Students

9. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

Credit value

Dissertation (Euro-Abroad) GEOG3602 40

Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 80 credits from List D and List E.

#### Level 4 (Masters)\*

11. Candidates shall study and be assessed by the following modules:

		Credit value
Advanced Methods in Physical Geography	<u>GEOG4018</u>	30
Communicating Science in Physical Geography	GEOG4007	10
Research Project (MSci)	<u>GEOG4023</u>	60

12. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List F:

List F:		Credit value
Advanced Catchment Science ¥ *	GEOG4041	20
Erosion and Orogenesis ¥	<b>GEOG4111</b>	20
Glacial Geology and Geomorphology: From Process to	GEOG4051	20

#### Assessment, progression and award

- 13. Modules marked with a # must be passed at 40% or above in order to progress to the ordinary degree at the next Level.
- 14. Modules marked with a ¥ cannot be taken in conjunction with each other.
- 15. Modules marked with a \* are not available in 2015-2016.
- 16. At Level 2 a student who fails to achieve the standards required under the Core Regulations for progression to Level 3 of the MSci in Geography (F802) but who achieves the standard required for progression to Level 3 of a Bachelors programme may progress to Level 3 of the BSc in Geography (F800) in the Honours or Ordinary stream in accordance with the Core Regulations
- 17. A student whose achievement at the end of Level 3 does not qualify them to proceed to Level 4 may be awarded the degree of BSc Geography (F800) with Honours or Ordinary in accordance with the Core Regulations for the award of a Bachelors degree.
- 18. \* Transfer to the four-year MSci (Geog) degree programme is based on application in Level 2 of the BSc programme and places are allocated on a competitive basis, subject to the agreed target of course places available. The September Board of Examiners in Geography will rank Level 2 weighted mean results for the cohort of students that applied to transfer to the programme earlier in Level 2. Transfer between programmes is not an entitlement, and is decided by the Board of Examiners in Geography.