

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for undergraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes](#).

## MSci Geography (F802)

### MSci Geography with Year Abroad (F804)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time mode of study.
2. \* From October 2018, entry to the four-year MSci (Geog) degree programme is available by transfer from the BSc (Geog) degree programme only. Transfer 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.
3. \* The MSci (Geog) degree programme will be withdrawn following the 2020-2021 academic year. The final cohort of students are expected to graduate from the F802 and F804 programmes in June 2021. Transfers from the BSc Geography (F800) programme or the BSc Geography with Year Abroad (F803) to the MSci Geography (F802) or MSci Geography with Year Abroad (F804) programmes will only be considered for students with a forecast F802 and F804 graduation date of June 2021 or before.

#### Level 1 (Certificate)

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

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

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

<b>List A:</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Planet Under Pressure	<a href="#">GEOG1061</a>	20
Geographies of Crisis	<a href="#">GEOG1241</a>	20
Understanding Earth's Principles	<a href="#">GEOG1251</a>	20
Level 1 Module(s) up to the value of 40 credits offered by any other Boards of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study), subject to timetable compatibility		20 or 40

#### Level 2 (Diploma)

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

		<b>Credit value</b>
Scientific Research in Geography #	<a href="#">GEOG2462</a>	40
Handling Geographic Information #	<a href="#">GEOG2591</a>	20

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

<b>List B:</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Climate Change: Geographical Perspectives	<a href="#">GEOG2661</a>	20
Contested Environments	<a href="#">GEOG2551</a>	20
Fluvial Systems	<a href="#">GEOG2521</a>	20
Geochemistry of the Environment	<a href="#">GEOG2651</a>	20
Glaciers and Glaciation	<a href="#">GEOG2531</a>	20
Mountain Landscapes	<a href="#">GEOG2611</a>	20

Reconstructing Environmental Change [GEOG2571](#) 20

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

<b>List C:</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Economic Geography	<a href="#">GEOG2641</a>	20
Geographies of Development	<a href="#">GEOG2541</a>	20
Political Geography	<a href="#">GEOG2581</a>	20
Social and Cultural Geography	<a href="#">GEOG2561</a>	20
Theory and Concepts in Contemporary Human Geography	<a href="#">GEOG2621</a>	20
Urban Geography	<a href="#">GEOG2511</a>	20
Level 2 Module up to the value of 20 credits offered by any other Board of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study)		20

### Level 3 (Degree)

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

		<b>Credit value</b>
Dissertation	<a href="#">GEOG3432</a>	40

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

<b>List D: (select up to 80 credits):</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Alpine Landscapes and Processes ¥	<a href="#">GEOG3491</a>	20
Ice Age Environments	<a href="#">GEOG3511</a>	20
Iceland: Field Research in Glacial Environments ¥	<a href="#">GEOG3691</a>	20
Mountain Hazards ¥	<a href="#">GEOG3701</a>	20
Natural Hazards, Risk and Resilience	<a href="#">GEOG3621</a>	20
Oceans Past and Present	<a href="#">GEOG3641</a>	20
Remote Sensing	<a href="#">GEOG3261</a>	20
River Dynamics	<a href="#">GEOG3461</a>	20
Sea Level Change and Coastal Evolution	<a href="#">GEOG3191</a>	20
The Arctic ¥	<a href="#">GEOG3521</a>	20

<b>List E: (select up to 40 credits; an equal number of 10 credit modules must be selected from Terms 1 and 2):</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Antarctic Environments	<a href="#">GEOG3817</a>	10
Catchment Modelling for Management	<a href="#">GEOG3987</a>	10
Landslides	<a href="#">GEOG3807</a>	10
Past Climates of The Low Latitudes	<a href="#">GEOG3927</a>	10
Peatland Geomorphology	<a href="#">GEOG3947</a>	10

11. Candidates may also study and be assessed in modules to the value up to 20 credits from List F, subject to timetable compatibility:

<b>List F: (select up to 20 credits; an equal number of 10 credit modules must be selected from Terms 1 and 2. One 10 credit module from List F may be combined with one 10 credit module from List E)</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Contesting Citizenship: Activism, Advocacy, Asylum	<a href="#">GEOG30C7</a>	10
Europe: Geographies of Integration and Disintegration	<a href="#">GEOG30D7</a>	10
Geographies of Difference	<a href="#">GEOG3931</a>	20
Geographies of Money and Finance	<a href="#">GEOG3957</a>	10
Global Environmental Politics	<a href="#">GEOG30B7</a>	10
Neoliberal Life	<a href="#">GEOG3537</a>	10
Philosophy and Geography	<a href="#">GEOG3481</a>	20
Postcolonialism and Development	<a href="#">GEOG3877</a>	10
Politics and Space	<a href="#">GEOG3661</a>	20
Race, Nature and Crisis	<a href="#">GEOG30A7</a>	10

Unfreedom in Labour Relations	<a href="#">GEOG3787</a>	10
Urban Governance	<a href="#">GEOG3967</a>	10

### Level 3 (Degree) Students Returning From Level 2 Replacement Year Abroad

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

		<b>Credit value</b>
Dissertation (Euro-Abroad)	<a href="#">GEOG3602</a>	40

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

### Level 4 (Masters)\*

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

		<b>Credit value</b>
Advanced Methods in Physical Geography	<a href="#">GEOG4018</a>	30
Communicating Science in Physical Geography	<a href="#">GEOG4007</a>	10
Research Project (MSci)	<a href="#">GEOG4023</a>	60

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

<b>List G:</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Erosion and Orogenesis ¥	<a href="#">GEOG4111</a>	20
Glacial Geology and Geomorphology: From Process to Application ¥	<a href="#">GEOG4051</a>	20
Practical Skills in Sea Level Science	<a href="#">GEOG4031</a>	20

### Assessment, progression and award

16. Modules marked with a # must be passed at 40% or above in order to progress to the ordinary degree at the next Level.
17. Modules marked with a ¥ cannot be taken in conjunction with each other.
18. 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
19. 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.

### Additional Year Abroad

20. Students admitted to the MSci Geography (F802) are able to apply to transfer to the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) programme (F804). Students undertaking the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) programme (F804) will undertake an approved study placement in an overseas university taking a course of study chosen in consultation with the programme director and the host institution. During the year abroad students will be assessed at module level by the host University. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the MSci Geography with Year Abroad.
21. Candidates wishing to transfer to the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) (F804) must:
  - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the MSci Geography (F802) and progressed to Level 2 of the honours or Ordinary programme, and;
  - b. during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Geography to be admitted to the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) (F804) and have their application approved by the Chair of the Board of Studies in the Department of Geography, and;

- c. successfully complete Level 2 of the MSci Geography (F802) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the MSci Geography (F802) Honours programme.
22. Students who the Board of Examiners for the Department of Geography deem to have made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will continue to Level 3 of the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) (F804). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on the MSci Geography (with Year Abroad) (F804) programme, but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the MSci Geography (F802) programme.