

<u>Durham University</u> <u>Faculty Handbook Online</u> www.durham.ac.uk/faculty.handbook/

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>.

BA Geography (L702)

BA Geography with Year Abroad (L704)

BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706)

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#	GEOG1071	20
Introduction to Geographical Research (BA) #	GEOG1222	40
Physical Geography #	GEOG1081	20

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

List A:		Credit value
Planet Under Pressure	GEOG1061	20
Geographies of Crisis	GEOG1241	20
Introduction to Climate Change	GEOG1261	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
Social Research in Geography #	GEOG2472	40
Theory and Concepts in Contemporary Human Geography #	GEOG2621	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
Contested Environments	<u>GEOG2551</u>	20
Economic Geography	<u>GEOG2641</u>	20
Geographies of Development	<u>GEOG2541</u>	20
Political Geography	<u>GEOG2581</u>	20
Social and Cultural Geography	GEOG2561	20
Urban Geography	GEOG2511	20

6. Candidates may (as a replacement for 20 credits from List B) study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List C, subject to timetable compatibility:

List C:		Credit value
Carbon and Biogeochemical Cycles	<u>GEOG2651</u>	20
Glaciers and Glaciation	<u>GEOG2531</u>	20
Handling Geographic Information	<u>GEOG2591</u>	20
Mountain Landscapes	<u>GEOG2611</u>	20
Reconstructing Environmental Change	GEOG2571	20

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Level 3 (Degree)

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

Dissertation Credit value GEOG3232 40

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

List D: (select up to 80 credits):		Credit value
Berlin: Culture, Politics and Contestation ¥	<u>GEOG3501</u>	20
Cape Town: Geographies of Energy Transition ¥	<u>GEOG3971</u>	20
Geographies of Difference	GEOG3931	20
Natural Hazards, Risk and Resilience	GEOG3621	20
Philosophy and Geography	GEOG3481	20
Politics and Space	GEOG3661	20
Territory and Geopolitics ¥	GEOG3581	20
The Arctic ¥	GEOG3521	20

List E: (select up to 40 credits; an equal number of 10 credit modules must be selected from Terms 1 and 2):		Credit value
Antarctic Environments	GEOG3817	10
Contesting Citizenship: Activism, Advocacy, Asylum	GEOG30C7	10
Critical Resource Geographies	GEOG30G7	10
Feminist Geographies: Intimacy, Body, State	GEOG3997	10
Geographies of Money and Finance	GEOG3957	10
Global Environmental Politics	GEOG30B7	10
Political Geographies of Population	GEOG30L7	10
Understanding Land Conflicts	GEOG30E7	10

9. Candidates may (as a replacement for up to 20 credits from Lists D & E) also study and be assessed in modules to the value up to 20 credits from List F, subject to timetable compatibility:

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)

Earth Surface Processes and Landscape Evolution	GEOG30I7	10
Ice Age Environments	GEOG30K7	10
Landslides	GEOG3807	10
Oceans Past and Present	GEOG3641	20
Peatland Geomorphology and Management	GEOG3947	10
Remote Sensing	<u>GEOG3261</u>	20
River Dynamics	<u>GEOG3461</u>	20
Sea Level Change and Coastal Evolution	GEOG3191	20

Level 3 (Degree) Students Returning From Year Abroad / Placement Year

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

		Credit value
Dissertation (Euro-Abroad)	<u>GEOG3592</u>	40

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

Assessment, progression and award

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

Additional Year Abroad

- 14. Students admitted to the BA Geography (L702) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Geography (with Year Abroad) programme (L704). Students undertaking the BA Geography (with Year Abroad) programme (L704) 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 BA Geography with Year Abroad.
- 15. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Geography (with Year Abroad) (L704) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Geography (L702) and progressed to Level 2 of the honours or Ordinary programme, and;
 - during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Geography to be admitted to the BA Geography (with Year Abroad) (L704) 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 BA Geography (L702) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Geography (L702) Honours programme.
- 16. 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 BA Geography (with Year Abroad) (L704). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on the BA Geography (with Year Abroad) (L704) programme, but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the BA Geography (L702) programme.

Placement Year

- 17. Students admitted to the BA Geography (L702) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Geography (with Placement Year) programme (L706). Students taking the BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706) will undertake an approved placement or placements in a UK or overseas organisation consisting of at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience.
 - Following the placement year, students will be required to successfully complete a placement assessment as agreed by the Department, to determine whether the programme learning outcomes have been met. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706). If a student fails, they will transfer to the BA Geography (L702) programme.
- 18. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Geography (L702) and progressed to Level 2 of the Honours or Ordinary programme; and
 - during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Geography to be admitted to the BA Geography (with Placement) (L706) and have their application approved by the Chair of the Board of Studies; and
 - secure a placement / year abroad opportunity or opportunities comprising at least 40 weeks
 of professional-level work experience, agreed with the Departmental Placement Year
 Convenor and Faculty Placement Officer; and
 - d. successfully complete Level 2 of the BA Geography (L702) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Geography (L702).
- 19. Students whom the Board of Examiners for the Department of Geography deem to have fulfilled the programme learning outcomes and who successfully pass the placement assessment will continue to Level 3 of the BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706). Students who fail will not be permitted to continue on the BA Geography (with Placement Year) (L706) programme, but must instead proceed to the final year of the BA Geography programme (L702).