

## Program Planning Guide

### Bachelor of Arts: Joint Geography and Political Science

**YOUR COURSE PLANNING:** This worksheet has been created as a guide for admitted students. Note, your course planning may look different than another student; this worksheet has been designed for students wishing to complete their program within a four-year timeline. Students may elect to take part-time studies or a reduced course load. Refer to the [Undergraduate Academic Regulations](#) within the Undergraduate Calendar for more information.

For requirements that have a “pick list” (i.e. *choose one of*) please visit the Undergraduate Calendar to see a detailed list. The list or requirements may change, so please ensure you follow the appropriate requirements ([the 2025-2026 Undergraduate Calendar](#)). After July 1, 2025, you can find the calendar in a [PDF format](#).

100/200 Level Requirements			
Requirements	Credit Hours	Course Selected	Done
GEOG 101 or GEOG 102	3		
POLS 100	3		
POLS 200	3		
POLS 202	3		
POLS 230	3		
POLS 270	3		
Four of: GEOG 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 209, 211, 220, 224, 225, 298	3 3 3 3		
300/400 Level Requirements			
POLS 303	3		
POLS 320	3		
POLS 370	3		
Four of: GEOG 305, 306, 307, 308, 324, 332, 333	3 3 3 3		
Three of: GEOG 401, 403, 416, 420, 424, 426	3 3 3		

300/400 Level Requirements Continued			
Requirements	Credit Hours	Course Selected	Done
**Three additional credits of POLS at 300 level (see course notes)	3		
Nine additional credits of 400 level POLS	3		
	3		
	3		
Other			
Elective	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
	3		
Academic Breadth			
Arts & Humanities	3		
Physical Sciences	3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>120</b>		

**BREADTH REQUIREMENT:** As a part of this program, students will have satisfied their Natural Sciences breadth requirement (with the required GEOG courses) and their Social Sciences requirement (with the required POLS courses). As such, please take a three credit course in Arts & Humanities and a three credit course in Physical Sciences to meet the [breadth requirement](#).

**UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR:** It is the student's responsibility to be aware of all University of Northern British Columbia [Undergraduate Calendar](#) regulations. Academic regulations, program information, course information, and pre-requisites can be found in this document.

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## Sample Sequencing Plan

First Year	
Fall	Winter
GEOG 101 or 102	GEOG 101 or 102
POLS 100	POLS 100 (if not already complete) or Elective
UNIV 103(recommended) or Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective
Elective (for breadth)	Elective (for breadth)
Second Year	
Four of: GEOG 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 209, 211, 220, 224, 225, 298	Four of: GEOG 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 209, 211, 220, 224, 225, 298
Four of: GEOG 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 209, 211, 220, 224, 225, 298	Four of: GEOG 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 209, 211, 220, 224, 225, 298
POLS 202	POLS 200
POLS 230	POLS 270
Elective	Elective
Third Year	
POLS 303	POLS 320
POLS 300 level	POLS 370
Four of: GEOG 301, 305, 306, 307, 308, 324, 333	Four of: GEOG 301, 305, 306, 307, 308, 324, 333
Four of: GEOG 301, 305, 306, 307, 308, 324, 333	Four of: GEOG 301, 305, 306, 307, 308, 324, 333
Elective	Elective
Fourth Year	
One of: GEOG 401, 403, 416, 420, 424, 426	One of: GEOG 401, 403, 416, 420, 424, 426
One of: GEOG 401, 403, 416, 420, 424, 426	One of: GEOG 401, 403, 416, 420, 424, 426 or Elective
POLS 400 level	POLS 400 level
POLS 400 level	POLS 400 level or Elective
Elective	Elective

## Course Notes

- These courses need not necessarily be taken in the sequence as indicated.
- Students should consult with the Undergraduate Calendar for course descriptions and pre/co-requisites.
- **\*\*NOTE** POLS 332 may be used to fulfill the 'three additional credit hours of POLS at 300 level ONLY if GEOG 332 has not been taken.
- Students may elect to take a minor. To see available minors, please feel free to check out a [Declaration of Minor form](#) or look in the Program pages of the [Undergraduate Calendar](#). Minors are a structured way to use your electives while also completing a secondary concentration.
- Students are encouraged to consider taking a field school. Past field schools have been held in Canada and across the world, including Guatemala, Peru, South Africa, and Death Valley. Interested? Check out the [Geography Field Schools](#) to view more information about past and upcoming field schools.

## Advisor Notes

**STUDENT ADVISING:** To book an appointment, or to see when drop-ins are scheduled, please contact [advising@unbc.ca](mailto:advising@unbc.ca) or call 250.960.6306.

**DEGREE EVALUATIONS:** The [Degree Evaluation](#) is an interpretation of the Undergraduate Calendar for the year that you were admitted and helps display the requirements needed for your program.

**DOUBLE MAJORS:** Students who are considering a double major should speak with their Student Advisor as soon as possible.

**RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT:** Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of upper division UNBC coursework to receive a UNBC degree.

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**TIME LIMIT:** Except by permission of the Dean, students must complete their undergraduate degree program within 15 years of their first semester of registration.

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