

2009-2010

B.A.Ed. in Geography-Elementary

**Huxley College of the Environment
Woodring College of Education**

What Is the Study of Geography-Elementary?

This program is designed to provide necessary depth as well as breadth to teaching majors who wish to specialize in geography in the public school system. This major must be accompanied by the Professional Preparation Program in Elementary Education.

Why Should I Consider This Major?

This major prepares students for a concentration in Geography to accompany their courses in Elementary Education. The Elementary Certification Program is the primary emphasis of this degree and details can be found on page 3.

How to Declare:

Pre-Major Declaration: Any student may declare as an Environmental Studies pre-major. The forms are available at the Huxley College Office in ES 539.

Admission to Huxley College and its majors is selective and based upon the following four criteria:

1. Completion of required preparatory course work
2. Academic performance (GPA)
3. A brief essay in response to a given question, and
4. Relevant experience.

Applications should be received by the Huxley College office by April 25 for admission to summer or fall quarters; October 6 for admission winter quarter; and January 15 for admission spring quarter.

Mid-Program Checkpoint:

Students intending to complete a Bachelor's of Arts in Education degree in Geography-Elementary within four years should complete the following courses by the start of their junior year. Students are expected to follow all prerequisite requirements for courses and seek early departmental advisement.

Coursework:

EGEO 201 and 203
ESCI 101
MATH 107, 114, or 156
BCOM or CCOM course
Natural Science GURs

Other Activities:

Get involved in environmental issues and groups.
Volunteer for environmental organizations.

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Sample Careers:

Elementary School Teacher



Geography-Elementary Major Requirements: 66-73 Credits

Required Preparatory Courses:

MATH 107 Mathematical Reasoning and its Applications (4)

Or MATH 114 Precalculus (5)

Or MATH 156 Algebra with Applications to Business and Economics (4)

Completion of Natural Science GUR

EGEO 201 Human Geography (4)

EGEO 203 Physical Geography (4)

ESCI 101 Environmental Studies: A Scientific Approach (3)

BCOM or CCOM GUR course (3-5)

Major Coursework

EGEO 209 Geography and World Affairs (2)

EGEO 250 Geographic Information Systems Survey (2)

EGEO 301 Research and Writing (3)

EGEO 310 Developing World (4)

EGEO 320 The United States (3)

EGEO 351 Map Reading and Analysis (3)

Electives under advisement: 20 credits

EGEO 300 and 400-level

Other Geography Options:

B.A. in Geography (85 credits)

B.A. in Geography/Social Studies (88-93 credits)

B.A.Ed. Environmental Studies—Elementary (47 credits plus 104 for the Elementary Education Professional Program)

Minor in Geography (25 credits)

Minor in Geographic Information Systems (32-34 credits)

These courses are offered within this major and may be used to satisfy GUR or Writing Proficiency requirements.

SSC: EGEO 201

ACGM: EGEO 321, 322, 323, 324

LSCI: EGEO 203

WP: Three Writing Proficiency points are required for graduation (they are noted as WP1, WP2, and WP3). Check [Classfinder](#) or [Online Timetable](#) for departmental offerings each quarter.