

Bachelor of Science with Major in Geosciences

(Minimum of 120 credits required)

The Geosciences core course below (15 credits) are required of all students for the B.S. in Geosciences. Students then choose between a focus in either Geography or Geology.

Prerequisite Coursework for Transfer Students

Students transferring to Florida Atlantic University must complete both lower-division requirements (including the requirements of the Intellectual Foundations Program) and requirements for the college and major. Lower-division requirements may be completed through the A.A. degree from any Florida public college, university or community college or through equivalent coursework at another regionally accredited institution. Before transferring and to ensure timely progress toward the baccalaureate degree, students must also complete the prerequisite courses for their major as outlined in the [Transition Guides](#).

All courses not approved by the Florida Statewide Course Numbering System that will be used to satisfy requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

Geosciences Core Courses (required of all students)		
Introductory Statistics	STA 2023	3
General Chemistry 1 and Lab	CHM 2045, 2045L	4
Calculus with Analytic Geometry 1	MAC 2311	4
Introduction to Mapping and GIS	GIS 3015C	3
Geosciences Honors Colloquium	GEO 4920	1
Core Total		15

Bachelor of Science with Major in Geosciences: Geography Focus

In addition to the Geosciences core courses noted above, students selecting the Geography Focus are required to complete a Science core (4 credits), the Geography Focus core (24 credits), and Geosciences electives (30-31 credits) as noted below. Total credits for the B.S. in Geosciences with a Geography Focus are 73-74 credits.

Science Core Courses		
Biological Principles and Lab	BSC 1010/1010L	4 or
Biodiversity and Lab	BSC 1011/1011L	4
Science Core Total		4

Geography Focus Core Courses		
World Geography	GEA 2000	3
Introduction to Physical Geography	GEO 2200C	3
Weather and Climate	MET 2010	3
Quantitative Methods	GEO 4022	3
Principles of GIS	GIS 4043C	3
Remote Sensing of the Environment	GIS 4035C	3
Human-Environmental Interactions in South Florida	GEA 4275	3
Biogeography	GEO 4300	3
Core Total		24

Geosciences Electives (select 30-31 credits from the courses below)		
The Blue Planet	ESC 2000	3

Physical Geology/Evolution of the Earth	GLY 2010C	4
History of the Earth and Life	GLY 2100	3
<u>Climate Change: Myths, Realities and Solutions</u>	<u>EVR 3114</u>	<u>3</u>
Environmental Issues in Atmospheric and Earth Science	ESC 3704	3
Coastal and Marine Science	GLY 3730	3
Applications in GIS	GIS 4048C	3
Photogrammetry and Aerial Photograph Interpretation	GIS 4021C	3
Digital Image Analysis	GIS 4037C	3
Programming in GIS	GIS 4102C	3
<u>Natural Hazards, Climate and Society</u>	<u>EVR 4112</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Geospatial Databases</u>	<u>GIS 4118</u>	<u>3</u>
Geovisualization and GIS	GIS 4138C	3
Spatial Data Analysis	GEO 4167C	3
Water Resources	GEO 4280C	3
Tourism and Commercial Recreation	GEO 4542	3
Urban Geography	GEO 4602	3
Transportation and Spatial Organization	GEO 4700	3
Geomorphology	GLY 4700C	3
Hydrogeology	GLY 4822	3
<u>Introduction to Hydrogeology Modeling and Aquifer Test</u>	<u>GLY 4832C</u>	<u>3</u>
Areas of Emphasis Total		30-31

Bachelor of Science with Major in Geosciences: Geology Focus

In addition to the Geosciences core courses noted above (15 credits), students selecting the Geology Focus are required to complete a Science core (12 credits), the Geology Focus core (38 credits), and Geosciences electives (9 credits) as noted below. Total credits for the B.S. in Geosciences with a Geology Focus are 74 credits.

Science Core Courses		
General Physics 1	PHY 2048	4
General Physics 2	PHY 2049	4
Calculus with Analytic Geometry 2	MAC 2312	4
Science Core Total		12

Geology Focus Core Course		
Physical Geology/Evolution of the Earth	GLY 2010C	4
History of the Earth and Life	GLY 2100	3
Mineralogy and Crystal Chemistry	GLY 4200C	4
Petrology of Igneous and Metamorphic Rocks	GLY 4310C	4
Structural Geology	GLY 4400C	4
Solid Earth Geophysics	GLY 4451	3
Stratigraphy and Sedimentation	GLY 4500C	4
Field Methods	GLY 4750C	3
Field Camp	GLY 4790	6
Hydrogeology	GLY 4822	3

Core Total	38
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Geosciences Electives (select 9 credits from the list below, 6 of which must be at the 4000 level)		
Geology of Florida	GLY 3155C	3
Paleontology	GLY 3603C	3
Coastal and Marine Science	GLY 3730	3
Remote Sensing of the Environment	GIS 4035C	3
Principles of GIS	GIS 4043C	3
Environmental Geochemistry	GLY 4241	3
Water Resources	GEO 4280C	3
Geomorphology	GLY 4700C	3
Engineering Geology	GLY 4830	3
Introduction to Hydrogeology Modeling and Aquifer Testing	GLY 4832C	3
Geosciences Electives Total		9