

MASTER'S – Degree Milestones and Program of Study (POS) CHECKLIST

STEPS TOWARD DEGREE AND TIMELINE FOR ADEQUATE PROGRESS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Major Professor (Geography form) | [1 semester] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Advisory Committee (Enrolled Student Progress Portal) | [1.5 semesters] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Thesis Proposal Defense (Geography form) | [2 semesters] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Human Subjects [<input type="checkbox"/> Yes/ <input type="checkbox"/> No] | If yes, project approval # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Program of Study (GradStatus form) | [3 semesters] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Thesis Defense (form) | [4 semesters] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Graduation Application (in Athena) | |

PROGRAM OF STUDY (POS) CHECKLIST (32 HOURS):

- When completing the [Program of Study form](#) in GradStatus: list your courses in the order they were taken.

Graduate School Requirements

- ☐ 30 consecutive hours of credit to meet residency requirement:
 - 21 hours of course work where 12 hours must be graduate-only courses (8000 level or grad-only 6000 & 7000)
 - Graduate school allows 6 hours of research (GEOG7000) on the POS but the dept only allows 3.
 - No more than 3 hrs. of GEOG7300 may be counted in 30 hrs.

NOTE: GRSC7770 is required for **ALL Teaching Assistants** (TA):

- It does not count towards the program of study.

Department of Geography Requirements:

Core courses (11 hrs.):

- ☐ GEOG 8900 (1 hr.)
- ☐ GRSC 7001 (1 hr.)
- ☐ Methods Course (3 hrs.)
 - **M.S.** students must take GEOG 6300
 - **M.A.** students must take GEOG 6305 or a methods class approved by their committee
- ☐ GEOG 7000 (3 hrs.)
- ☐ GEOG 7300 (3 hrs.)

Elective Credit Hours (minimum of 21 elective hrs.)

- ☐ 12 of 20 hours must be graduate-only courses
 - 8000 level or grad-only 6000 & 7000 – mark all of these on the “Grad Level Only?” column.
- ☐ GEOG 7000, 7005 & 7300 cannot be included in elective hours.
- ☐ 3 hours only of Directed Problems (GEOG 8290, 8390, 8590, 8690, etc.) or any another department.
- ☐ GEOG 6920 and 6921 cannot be on Program of Study.
- ☐ Courses used to fulfill deficiencies may not be included in 20 hrs.