MA Geography Program Requirements

Students will choose from one of these options. Those considering careers in academia or pursuing a PhD program MUST select the thesis option, all other students can make the choice with assistance of the MA program director that best fits their professional career aspirations

a. Thesis Option

- Minimum of 36 credit hours of graduate work
- Required courses: GEPL 6100 (3), GEPL6150 (3), GEPL 6920 (3)
- 15 hours to be taken at 6000 level in Geography
- 15 additional elective hours at 5000 or 600 level in Geography
- Minimum of one graduate level course taken in related field outside of Geography
- B grade or better in GEPL6100 and GEPL6150
- Successful completion of GEPL6920
- Minimum of 2 hours of thesis credits, but as many as 6 hrs may be taken within 36 hours

b. Non-Thesis Option

- Minimum of 36 credit hours of graduate work
- Required courses: GEPL 6100 (3), GEPL 5110 (3), GEPL5530 (3), GEPL6150 (3), GEPL 5180(3), GEPL 6890 (3)
- Required course (3): select one from GEPL5650, GEPL5750, GEPL5750, GEPL5700
- 15 additional elective hours at 5000 or 600 level in Geography
- Minimum of one graduate level course taken in related field outside of Geography
- B grade or better in GEPL6100, GEPL6150, GEPL 6890