School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning
Arizona State University

How To: Master of Arts in Passing (MIP)

Geography MIP

Doctoral students can earn a Master of Arts (MA) in Geography en route to their PhD. Requirements consist of 30 credits of coursework already taken as part of the doctoral curriculum and completion of the Research Requirement.

Required courses for Master's in Passing:

Course	Title	Credits
GCU 529	Contemporary Geographic Thought	3.0
GCU 585	Geographic Research Design and Proposal Writing	3.0
GCU 591	Seminar: Geography Colloquium (semester 1)	1.0
GCU 591	Seminar: Geography Colloquium (semester 2)	1.0
GPH/GCU 591/598	Seminar or Special Topic	3.0
Elective coursework/research hours		
Total		**30.0**

Students with any blanket credit hours from a previously awarded master's degree on their iPOS are not eligible. (handbook language)

Procedure

- Submit doctoral iPOS
- Fulfill Research Requirement and submit Research Requirement Completion Form
- After iPOS is approved, 30.0 credits are complete/in progress, and the Research Requirement Completion Form is received, SGSUP Graduate Coordinator will submit MIP request to Graduate College
- Graduate College reviews and approves MIP request and contacts student with next steps
    - Student must initiate a separate iPOS for the MIP
    - MIP iPOS should only list completed and graded coursework (see list above)
- After MIP iPOS is approved by Graduate College, student must apply for graduation from the MIP program
    - Student must be enrolled during the term in which they intend to graduate, including summer
    - Master's in passing degrees are awarded at the end of the semester for which they applied
    - Students earning the MIP are permitted to participate in commencement activities and must follow Graduate College and The College procedures accordingly

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Geographic Information Science MIP

Doctoral students can earn a Master of Science (MS) in Geographic Information Science en route to their PhD. Requirements consist of 30 credits of coursework already taken as part of the doctoral curriculum and completion of the Research Requirement.

Required courses for Master's in Passing:

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS
GIS 520	GIScience Issues and Debates (*available in odd years – fall*)	3
GIS 521	Geographic Information Science Programming (*available in even year – spring*)	3
GIS 571	Spatial Statistics for Geography and Planning	3
GCU 585	Geographic Research Design and Proposal Writing (*available in odd years – spring*)	3
GCU/GPH 591	Seminar: Geography Colloquium	1
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	Remote Sensing Course	3
Elective coursework/research hours		
Total		30

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