Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Urban Studies

The objective of the Bachelor of Arts program in Geography and Urban Studies is to provide students with an understanding of:

- How space, place, and scale shape the interaction between environment and society;
- Critical thinking skills developed through examining a range of analytical approaches to investigate geographic, urban, and environmental processes;
- Contemporary explanatory frameworks in Geography and Urban Studies such as: political ecology, feminist and poststructuralist theory, and development theory;
- The application of information technology skills to analyze spatial and temporal information, processes, and patterns through integrative research experiences;
- Practical considerations of community and environmental organizational settings at the local and regional scales.

Summary of Degree Requirements

1. University Requirements:
   - MATH 0701 (4 s.h.) and/or ENG 0701 (4 s.h.), if required by placement testing.
   - All Temple students must take a minimum of two writing-intensive courses as part of the major. The specific courses required for this major are GUS 2197 and GUS 4198.
   - Students must complete requirements of the General Education (GenEd) Program. See the General Education (http://bulletin.temple.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/general-education) section of the Undergraduate Bulletin for more details.

2. College of Liberal Arts Requirements:
   - Completion of a minimum of 123 credits, including: 90 credits in CLA/CST courses, 45 credits of which must be at the upper level (numbered 2000–4999). For Social Science majors, 6 upper level credits must be taken in the Humanities Departments (English, French, German, Greek and Roman Classics, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese (only available at our Japan campus), Philosophy, Religion, Russian, and Spanish), Art History, or any department in the College of Science and Technology.
   - A minimum GPA of 2.0, cumulatively, in CLA/CST coursework, and in the major.
   - Only courses in which a student receives a grade of at least C- can satisfy GenEd, major, minor, or CLA Foreign Language and Global Studies requirements.

3. Foreign Language/Global Studies Requirements:
   a. All students must complete the second level of a foreign language;
   b. All students must complete at least one course from the GenEd Global/World Society category; and
   c. All students must complete one of the following options:
      - Third level of a foreign language;
      - Demonstrated proficiency in a foreign language;
      - A second General Education Global/World Society course;
      - Study Abroad at an approved program; or
      - Take one Global Studies course from the list on the CLA College Graduation Requirements (http://bulletin.temple.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/liberal-arts/#collegerequirements) page.

4. General Electives are typically one-third of a student’s program of study and can be focused on a second major, a minor, or towards some other personal enrichment or professional goals. See an academic advisor for assistance in developing an academic plan for these courses.

5. Major Requirements (39 credits):

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<td>GUS 2002 Space and Place</td>
<td>Select one of the following:</td>
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<td>GUS 2197 Research Design in Geography and Urban Studies</td>
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GUS 3064 Qualitative Methods
GUS 4065 Urban Geographic Information Systems

International Course
Select one of the following: 3
GUS 2032 Urban Systems in a Global Economy
GUS 2073 African Development
GUS 2074 East and South Asia
GUS 2121 Russian Cities
GUS 3052 Environmental Problems in Asia
GUS 3073 Geography of Travel and Tourism
GUS 3076 Metropolitan Tokyo
GUS 4000 Special Topics in Geography and Urban Studies
GUS 4021 International Urbanization
GUS 4075 Comparative Regional Development

Geography and Urban Studies electives ¹
Select 1 GUS course numbered 0800-4999 3
Select 4 GUS courses numbered 2000-4999 12

Capstone Course
GUS 4198 Senior Seminar in Geography and Urban Studies 3

Total Credit Hours 39

¹ No electives may double-count between the Geography & Urban Studies major and either the Environmental Studies major or minor.

Distinction in the Major
Geography and Urban Studies students can graduate with distinction if they have, at the time of graduation, a 3.5 GPA in the major and a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

Suggested Academic Plan
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Requirements for New Students starting in the 2014-2015 Academic Year

Year 1
Fall
ENG 0802, 0812, or 0902 Analytical Reading and Writing [GW] 4
GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course [GQ] 4
Foreign Language 1001 - first level 4
GenEd Breadth Course 3

Term Credit Hours 15

Spring
IH 0851 or 0951 Mosaic: Humanities Seminar I [GY] 3
Foreign Language 1002 - second level 4
GenEd Breadth Course 3
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GenEd Breadth Course 3

Term Credit Hours 16

Year 2
Fall
GUS 2001 Cities 3
IH 0852 or 0952 Mosaic: Humanities Seminar II [GZ] 3
GenEd Breadth Course 3
CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective 3
Select one of the following: 3
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Foreign Language - third level
Internationally Focused Course From Approved List

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### Spring
- GUS 2002  
  Space and Place  
- GUS 0800-4999 Elective  
- GenEd Breadth Course  
- GenEd Breadth Course  
- CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective

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### Year 3
#### Fall
- GUS 2197  
  Research Design in Geography and Urban Studies [WI]  
- GUS 3062  
  Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems  
- One International Geography & Urban Studies Course From Approved List  
- CLA/CST 2000+ Humanities/CST Course  
- CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective  
- One 0800-4999 Elective in Any School or College

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### Spring
- GUS 3161  
  Spatial Statistics  
- GUS Methods Course From Approved List  
- GUS 2000+ Elective  
- CLA/CST 2000+ Humanities/CST Course  
- CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective

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### Year 4
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- GUS 2000+ Elective  
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- CLA/CST 2000+ Elective  
- One 0800-4999 Elective in Any School or College

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### Spring
- GUS 4198  
  Senior Seminar in Geography and Urban Studies [WI]  
- GUS 2000+ Elective  
- CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective  
- Two 0800-4999 Electives in Any School or College

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**Total Credit Hours:** 123