

GE Courses offered by the Department of Geography

Level 2 Interdisciplinary Thematic Course (Sustainable Communities)

GTSU2056 People and the Environment

Emphasis is placed on equipping students with a comprehensive understanding of human-environment interaction and a critical perspective to understand human beings in environmental change and the ensuing impacts on society as feedback. It facilitates students to become responsible citizens to develop sustainable communities.



Level 3 GE Capstone

GCAP3026 Developing Interdisciplinary Field Studies for Environmental or Social Issues

This experiential learning course will help students identify pressing global issues through field activities and propose actions with our local and international partners by utilizing our field experiences.

Course highlights:

- Storytelling skills
- Problem-solving and organizational skills
- Fieldwork experience



GCAP3027 GE Capstone Interdisciplinary Independent Study of Environmental or Social Issues

This independent study course will guide students to explore interdisciplinary solutions for environmental or social issues through field studies. Course highlights:

- Leadership qualities to plan field activities
- Creativity to propose actions for real-world issues



Double-counting Arrangements

Programme	Eligible GE Capstone	Double-counted towards	Replacement course
BSSc GEOG	GCAP3026/ GCAP3027	Social Sciences Experiential Learning in Action (SOSC3005/SOSC3006)	Any of Major Elective Courses (3 units)
	GCAP3145	SOSC3005	
	GCAP3146	SOSC3006	
Minor in GEOG	GCAP3026/ GCAP3027	A Minor Elective course (Level 3/4)	Any courses (3 units) (Excluding core/ required courses)

Double-counting Guidelines

1. All students are required to take a 3-unit Interdisciplinary GE Capstone Course or an Interdisciplinary Independent Study (GE Capstone) under the new GE Programme.
2. Students who major in BSSc GEOG may choose to take GCAP3026/GCAP3027/GCAP3145/GCAP3146 to fulfil the requirements of GE Capstone and Social Sciences Common Core - Experiential Learning in Action (ELA).
3. If a geography major student decides to double-count a GE Capstone, he/she has to take any 3-unit major elective course to make up the 3 units to fulfil graduation requirements. Then he/she can be exempted from taking SOSC3005 or SOSC3006 (ELA).
4. Students who wish to minor in Geography are required to fulfil 15 units of Minor Elective courses, including at least two level 2 elective courses and at least two level 3/4 elective courses. Upon completion of GCAP3026/GCAP3027, a level 3/4 elective course will be exempted. Students only need to fulfil 12 units for the minor programme and apply to the Academic Registry for approval.

Points to note:

- GE Capstone CANNOT be counted as free electives (Students are reminded to avoid taking more than one GE Capstone).
- In fulfilling the overall units required for graduation, the units of double-counted courses can only be counted ONCE.

How to apply?

- Students will be able to apply for double-counting in their final year and Academic Registry will inform students of the details via email in January or March. Students can submit an application via BUUniport (Studies > My e-Application > Registration & Study Progression > Apply for Double-counting GE Capstone towards Major Requirements).