



*Although not mandatory,  
advising is recommended  
for your success.*

**Does my adviser/Geography Department office only assist me with my semester schedule?**

**No, Geography faculty and staff also do the following:**

- Keep an updated program planning sheet on file with completed coursework and grades for your reference.
- Familiarize you with the concepts of course sequence, course pre-requisites, major, minor and liberal studies requirements, double-counting, etc.
- Review your degree audit and help to resolve any discrepancies.
- Discuss internship, grad. school and career opportunities.  
(<http://webb.nmu.edu/Departments/Geography/SiteSections/CareerResources/CareerResources.shtml>)

For all these reasons, the Department strongly believes in the importance of developing a relationship with our advisees and for you to take personal responsibility for understanding your major plan of study. Keep our Department's phone number on hand and never hesitate to call with any questions.

**Advising Party: pizza and pop will be served!**

In an effort to promote more faculty-student advising, please join us on Monday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m. in West Science 3710. A brief overview will take place about things we view as important to keep you on the fast-track toward graduation along with notification of upcoming events. Advisers will be on hand to review program planning sheets and to answer any questions students may have. We strongly encourage your attendance at this event but if your schedule does not permit, faculty members will post advising sign-up sheets outside their office door for the upcoming weeks.

**Upcoming Events:**

- Degree Audit Evaluation notification e-mails to students from Registrar's Office: Student must have completed 87 credit hours
- Summer College 2009 registration begins.....*Mon. 3/16*  
Course info/dates at <http://webb.nmu.edu/ContinuingEducation/>
- Geography Department Advising Party.....*Mon. 3/16*  
*5:30 p.m. West Science 3710; pizza and pop will be served*
- Fall 2009 Registration begins \* .....*Fri. 3/20*  
(\* date based on credits earned) Find Registration information at <http://www.nmu.edu/records/09FRegistration/Cover.htm>
- Last day to drop a Winter 2009 course with a "W" grade .....*Fri. 3/27*
- Exam week .....*Mon. 4/27 – Fri. 5/1*  
<http://www.nmu.edu/records/examsched.htm>

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**Have you taken the necessary  
course pre-requisites  
for Summer and Fall 2009 courses?**

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The Department has prepared the following summary table of course prerequisites, along with a tentative list of courses to be offered in Winter 2010. If you have not completed the stated pre-requisite(s) for a course, you will receive an error message while trying to enroll; you therefore need to register for the appropriate prerequisite instead of the major course.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Prerequisite(s)</u>
GC 202, Soils.....	GC 100
GC 205, Intro to Geog Research.....	Soph status & AIS 101, EN 211, GC 100 or GC 164
GC 225, Intro to Maps .....	MA >=100
GC 235, Quant. Methods .....	CIS 110 & MA >=103
GC 260, Rocks and Minerals .....	GC 255
GC 300, Regional Studies.....	Soph status & EN 211
GC 335, GIS .....	CIS 110 & GC 225
GC 337, Computer Cartography .....	GC 335
GC 360, Population Geography .....	EN 211 or GC 205
GC 401, Biogeography .....	GC 100, BI 111 & JR status
GC 465, Hydrology.....	GC 235 or MA 171 & JR status
GC 475, Env. Impact .....	GC 205, 320 & SR stat.
GC 489, Human Impact on Env.....	GC 205, 235 & 24 GC credits

**Note: Dr. Regis will be on Sabbatical Leave during Fall 2009. Qualified adjunct instructors will be hired to teach GC 260 and GC 465 in his absence.**

**Winter 2010 Tentative Course Schedule:**

GC 100 – Physical Geography  
GC 164 – Human Geography  
GC 205 – Intro. to Geographic Research  
GC 220 – Economic Geography  
GC 225 – Intro. to Maps  
GC 235 – Quantitative Methods  
GC 255 – Physical Geology  
GC 300 – Regional Studies – Latin America  
GC 310 – Urban Geography  
GC 320 – Env. Policy & Regulation  
GC 335 – GIS  
GC 360 – Population Geography  
GC 365 – Historical Geology  
GC 385 – Weather & Climate  
GC 390 – Oceanography (or Summer 2010)  
GC 425 – Remote Sensing  
GC 428 – Spatial Analysis  
GC 489 – Human Impact on the Env.  
ENV 101 – Intro. to Environmental Science