

# Department of Earth, Environmental, and Geographical Sciences (EEGS) Advising Notes – March 2025



*Academic advising is important to help you streamline your time to degree completion.*

### Steps to prepare for course registration:

- Review the Summer and Fall 2025 course offerings PDF found at <http://www.nmu.edu/registrar> and at <https://mynmu.nmu.edu> Check whether the course will:
  - Meet on-campus (section number 01, 02, 03, etc.)
  - Be asynchronous Web-based (meet online with no specific days/times with section numbers 50, 51, etc.)
  - Be synchronous Web-based (meet on-line with specific days/times with section number 60, 61, etc.)
  - Be hybrid (in-person some of the time with Web-based activities for the remaining contact hours, section number 70, 71, etc.)
- Review prerequisite coursework information (shown in the next column) to make sure that you will be allowed to register for a course.
- Schedule an appointment with your academic advisor prior to your course registration date/time (schedule found at the link listed in Date of Importance below). Look for emails from your advisor telling you their preferred way of scheduling appointments. Please contact [eegs@nmu.edu](mailto:eegs@nmu.edu) if you need help scheduling an appointment with your advisor.
- Note that any holds that are placed on your account (e.g., advisor-, financial-, transcript-related) will prevent you from registering at your designated registration day/time until the holds are lifted. Call the number listed next to the hold in ESP to find out more.

### Dates of importance:

- Summer College 2025 registration begins ..... *Mon. 3/17*  
Course info/dates at <http://www.nmu.edu/records/> under the Current News section. Note that courses are subject to a minimum enrollment in order for the course to be offered.
- Fall 2025 registration begins \* ..... *Fri. 3/21*  
(\* date based on credits already earned) Find registration information at <http://www.nmu.edu/records/registrationweek>
- Last day to drop a Winter 2025 course with a “W” grade ..... *Fri. 4/25*
- Exam week ..... *Mon. 4/28 – Fri. 5/2*  
<https://nmu.edu/registrar/final-examination-schedule>
- Grades due from faculty for Winter 2025 ..... *Tues. 5/6*

### Your advisor and staff in the EEGS Department can help you prepare for registration in these ways:

- Review your unofficial degree evaluation (CAPP or Degree Works, accessed in myNMU or ESP), for a record of your completed and in-progress coursework and grades.
- Help you understand how course sequence, prerequisite coursework, General Education requirements, and double-counting affect your plan of study.
- Assist in resolving scheduling issues and degree audit discrepancies; process course substitution and directed study paperwork.
- Discuss internships, graduate school, and career opportunities.  
<https://nmu.edu/eegs/career-resources>

The EEGS Department is here to assist you! Contact us with any questions. Detailed information is on the Student Advising and Course Registration page at <https://nmu.edu/eegs/student-advising>.

### Prerequisite coursework information:

Plan ahead because prerequisite courses are required before you can enroll in many courses needed for your degree. These courses provide you with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in future courses. Without completing the stated prerequisite(s) you will receive an error message when you try to enroll. Note that taking courses in Summer may enable you to register for Fall courses with prerequisites.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Prerequisite(s)</u>
GC 202 Soils.....	GC 100 or GC 101
GC 205 Intro. to Geog. Research.....	EN 211, and GC 100 or GC 164
GC 225 Intro. to Maps .....	Math placement at MA 100 or higher
GC 235 Quant. Methods .....	DATA 109 or higher, or math placement at MA 115 or higher
GC 269 Intro. to Sustainability .....	EN 211, GC 164, and one course from the following: GC 100, GC 101, or GC 255
GC 310 Urban Geography .....	GC 164 or 220, and GC 205
GC 320 Env. Policy & Reg.....	GC 100 or GC 101, or JR
GC 335 GIS .....	GC 225 or JR standing
GC 337 Cartographic Design.....	GC 335
GC 370 Geomorphology.....	GC 100, and GC 225 or GC 255
GC 385 Weather & Climate	GC 100 and MA 111 or higher
GC 401 Biogeography .....	GC 100, BI 111 or BI 112, and JR standing
GC 465 Hydrology .....	BI 210 or GC 100 or GC 101, MA 111 or higher, and JR standing
GC 488 Earth/Env Sci Cap Res .....	GC 205, GC 235, GC 335, 24 GC cr., and JR standing
GC 489 Human-Env Capstone.....	GC 205, 235, 24 GC cr., and JR standing

### Winter 2026 TENTATIVE course offerings:

- GC 100 – Physical Geography
- GC 101 – Intro. to Env. Science
- 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 269 – Intro. to Sustainability
- GC 285 – Earth’s Climate: Past, Present & Future
- GC 335 – GIS
- GC 360 – Population Geography
- GC 362 – Wetlands
- GC 425 – Remote Sensing
- GC 428 – Spatial Analysis
- GC 488/489 Capstone courses

And possibly more courses; contact department head Dr. Susy Ziegler [suziegle@nmu.edu](mailto:suziegle@nmu.edu) with questions about specific course offerings.