



Swansea University
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FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT HANDBOOK

FOUNDATION (FHEQ LEVEL 3)

FOUNDATION GEOGRAPHY **UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES**

SUBJECT SPECIFIC **PART TWO OF TWO** **MODULE AND COURSE STRUCTURE** **2025-26**

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IMPORTANT

Term Dates

The 25-26 academic year begins on 29 September 2025

Full term dates can be found [here](#)

Academic Integrity

Swansea University and the Faculty of Science of Engineering takes any form of **academic misconduct** very seriously. In order to maintain academic integrity and ensure that the quality of an Award from Swansea University is not diminished, it is important to ensure that all students are judged on their ability. No student should have an unfair advantage over another as a result of academic misconduct - whether this is in the form of **Plagiarism**, **Collusion** or **Commissioning**.

It is important that you are aware of the **guidelines** governing Academic Misconduct within the University/Faculty of Science and Engineering and the possible implications. The Faculty of Science and Engineering will not take intent into consideration and in relation to an allegation of academic misconduct - there can be no defence that the offence was committed unintentionally or accidentally.

Please ensure that you read the University webpages covering the topic – procedural guidance [here](#) and further information [here](#). You should also read the Faculty Part One handbook fully, in particular the pages that concern Academic Misconduct/Academic Integrity.

The difference between compulsory and core modules

Compulsory modules must be **pursued** by a student.

Core modules must not only be **pursued**, but also **passed** before a student can proceed to the next level of study or qualify for an award. Failures in core modules must be redeemed.

Further information can be found under “Modular Terminology” on the following link - <https://myuni.swansea.ac.uk/academic-life/academic-regulations/taught-guidance/essential-info-taught-students/your-programme-explained/>

Key Programme Staff

Geography Programme Director	Geography Foundation Year Coordinator
Dr Emilia Urbanek	Dr Jo Maddern

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Geography (BSc)

BSc Geography[FL87]

Compulsory Modules

Semester 1 Modules	Semester 2 Modules
BCG-001 Foundational Scientific Skills 20 Credits Dr DW Forman/Prof GN Alexandrowicz/Dr J Hiemstra	BIO016 Molecular Biology and Biochemistry 20 Credits Dr MPS Gwilliam
GE-008 Foundations in Human Geography 20 Credits Dr JF Maddern	BIO019 Techniques in Ecology and Biogeography 20 Credits Dr DW Forman/Dr NJ Felstead
	GE-007 Foundation Physical and Environmental Geography 20 Credits Dr SL Cairns/Dr NJ Felstead
Total 120 Credits	

Optional Modules

Choose exactly 20 credits

If you are planning on progressing onto BA Geography or BA Human Geography, you must select FY012.

If you are planning on progressing onto BSc Geography, BSc Physical Geography, BSc Environmental Science or BSc Environmental Science and the Climate Emergency you must select BIO012

BIO012	Foundation Biology	Dr KAR Rose	TB1	20
FY-012	Introduction to Being Human	Dr G Bevan/Prof B Billingsley/Dr C Hughes/..	TB1	20