Western Michigan University’s Earth Science (M.A.) program is a non-thesis program that permits students to design programs of study in consultation with their program advisor which are compatible with each individual’s goals.

This program is intentionally flexible; coursework may be drawn from geosciences, biological sciences, chemistry, anthropology, economics, political science, geography, physics and others.

The program’s content is useful for many job opportunities including teaching, conservation, parks and planning, science journalism, communication or business.

Earth Science is now a common course of study in many high schools with more than 350 schools in Michigan alone.

Students must complete a minimum of 35 hours of graduate coursework, with a core of 18 hours in geosciences.

GRE scores are not required for this program.
Earth Science (M.A.)

Teaching, Research, and Program Focus Areas

We offer top notch faculty whose expertise and research areas focus on many earth science interests, from environmental science, field geology and wastewater treatment, to preparation and professional development of K-12 Earth Science teachers.

The primary focus of this program is to instruct and expand the student's knowledge of all aspects within the earth sciences. Our faculty and current students have participated in many award winning poster presentations and have written outstanding publications.

Admissions

M.A. applications are accepted on an on-going basis, allowing students to begin coursework in any semester. No GRE scores are required.

Full applications requirements are found at: wmic.edu/geology/academics/graduate

Graduate Assistantships/Associateships

No assistantships are available for this program at this point.

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Western Michigan University

One of the top-100 public universities in the United States, Western Michigan University offers many nationally known graduate programs, including 29 doctoral and 64 master’s degrees. More than 20 percent of its 25,000 students are enrolled in graduate course work.

Kalamazoo

With a population of more than 325,000, Kalamazoo is the sixth largest metropolitan area in Michigan and among the 150 largest in the country. Kalamazoo is rated one of the 25 best cities in the country for young college graduates, and is located midway between Chicago and Detroit.