

What Degree Can I Get?

Geography is the study of the interaction of human kind with their environment and the world in which we live. It is concerned with the imprints of human activity on the surface of the earth. There are a number of specializations within the discipline including cultural, regional, physical, spatial organization, cartography, and geographic information systems (GIS) to name a few.

Geography helps students understand the ongoing changes and new directions taking place in our world. Students choose one of three areas of emphasis: Human-Environment Geography, Geographical Analysis and Bioregional Planning, and Physical Geography. These emphases represent three important directions of geography in the twenty-first century.



Which Classes Should I Take?

Students who plan to transfer to four-year institutions should take the following recommended courses. The four year institution will require many additional courses to fulfill the requirements for a major. These are entry level, foundation courses.

- **GEOG 1000/LAB 1005** – Physical Geography
- **GEOG 1300** – People and Places of the World
- **GEOG 1800/LAB** – Interdisciplinary Introduction to GIS
- **HIST 1700** – American Civilization
- **HIST 2700** – United States History to 1877
- **HIST 2710** – United States History from 1877
- **POLS 1100** – American National Government
- **MATH 1040** – Introduction to Statistics (Human Environmental Geography)

Additional Classes for students interested in Physical Geography

- **MATH 1100** – Applied Calculus
- **MATH 1210** – Calculus I
- **MATH 1220** – Calculus II
- **GEO 1110/LAB 1115** – Physical Geology
- **PHYS 2210** – Physics for Scientists & Engineers I
- **PHYS 2220** – Physics for Scientists & Engineers II

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Careers

Teaching has traditionally been a career choice of geography graduates, and positions continue to be available in elementary, middle, high schools, colleges and universities. Recently geographers have entered other arenas in increasing numbers. These include business, all levels of government, local, state and federal. Urban planning and jobs that utilize GIS trained graduates are also becoming more numerous.



Associate of Science and Art Requirements



American Institutions 3*	ENGL 6	Math 2-5	OC 3
FA 3	HU 3	SS 3	PE 1096 1
Option 1: LS 3	PS 3	Labs 2	Scientific Inquiry 3
Option 2: LS 3	PS 3	Labs 1	Scientific Inquiry 3 MUST be a LS or PS
Associates of Arts requires a Physical Science and a Life Science – but only one science lab. You must complete 4 credits of one language numbered 1020 or above. (Undergraduate tutoring and 2800 special projects excluded.)			

Major preparation information is given only as a guide. Information is subject to change without notice. For most recent information, students must contact their transfer institution directly.

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