

AA-T Geography

Geography provides insights about the earth as the human habitat. It is a way of looking at the earth, not an inventory of its contents. This viewpoint rests on fundamental interlocking concepts. The cultural appraisal of the earth, the regional concept, areal coherence, human ecology, spatial interaction, study of landscape, and the concept of change are all ways the geographer tries to better understand the environment.

Geographers are curious about what they see around them. They study the processes that shape the landscape, including those that build up the Earth's surface (earthquakes and volcanoes) and those that wear it down (weather, water, ice, wind, and waves). In addition to the physical landscape, geographers study the cultural landscape. They study populations, their cultural origins, and the spread of cultural features (language, religion, technology, etc). Interestingly, geographers are also interested in how the physical and cultural landscapes interact, how humans alter the environment and how the physical environment affects populations and cultures.

Career Opportunities

The broad, interdisciplinary field of Geography prepares students for a wide variety of careers related to spatial analysis, including career in urban planning, community development, emergency management, environmental studies, marketing, transportation management, map-making, real estate appraisal, demography, foreign service, library/information science, park interpretation, and teaching. Expertise with Geographic Information System (GIS) will further enhance employability in any of these fields. Additionally, analytical and research skills gained through a Geography major provide a strong foundation for graduate study in law, urban planning, or architecture.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

1. Analyze social science concepts and theories
2. Evaluate diverse viewpoints related to the human population.
3. Produce evidence-based arguments.

AA-T Degree Requirements

Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Required Core Courses (6 units)	Units
GEOG 100 Physical Geography	3 units
GEOG 110 Cultural Geography	3 units

Selective Courses, choose a minimum of 12 units from the following:

List A: (6 units)	Units
GEOG 150 World Regional Geography	3 units
METE 100 Meteorology - Weather and Climate	3 units

List B: (6 units)	Units
ANTH 110 Cultural Anthropology	3 units
GEOG 100 Introduction to Geology	3 units

General Education - certified completion of one of the following:

- California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE Breadth),
- **OR**
- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC/CSU) pattern

Elective courses: If applicable, additional courses to meet the minimum 60 CSU transferable units requirement.

Please refer to Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Requirements for more information.

