Geography is the study of natural earth systems, human societies and the interaction between them. Geography bridges the physical and social sciences. Geographers work with powerful technologies such as Geographic Information Systems (GIS), digital earth imagery (remote sensing) and spatial modeling. Geographers are not afraid to get their boots muddy! Geography has a long-standing field tradition, often involving travel to spectacular locations - some of them in our own backyard.

Geographers use a collaborative and integrated approach to help understand complex 21st century challenges such as climate change, globalization, sustainability, urbanization, and living with hazards. Rewarding careers exist in the private and public sectors, and education. A general Geography degree allows you to personalize your degree and tailor your courses with no specific emphasis.
REQUIRED CLASSES

Geography core requirements

GEOG 1000  Earth Environments and Global Change
GEOG 1005  Earth Environments and Global Change Lab
ENV 1100   Our Digital World
GEOG 1300  World Regional Geography
GEOG 1400  Human Geography (BF)
ENV 2100   Environment and Society
ENV 3030   Introduction to Qualitative Methods
GEOG 3100  Introduction to Geographic Information Science (QI)
GEOG 3210  Global Climate Change

One of the following: (Upper division Physical Geography choice list)
GEOG 3270  Biogeography: Global Patterns of Life
GEOG 3050  Problem Solving in Physical Geography
GEOG 3205  Climate Change Foundations
GEOG 3200  Geomorphology: Mountains, Rivers, Deserts
GEOG 3290  Water Resources in a Changing Climate
ENV 3390  Sustainable Steams and Riparian Zones

One of the following: (Upper division Human Geography choice list)
GEOG 3090  Health Geography in the Age of Global Pandemics
GEOG 3400  Population Geography
GEOG 3440  Global Economic Geography
GEOG 3610  World Cities
ENV 3330  Urban Environmental Geography
ENV 3350  Resource Conservation and Environmental Management
ENV 3430  Food and the environment

Five elective courses:
(Three classes need to be at the 3000 or higher level
and two classes need to be taken at the 0500 level)
GEOG 3### GEOG 3### GEOG 3###
GEOG 5### GEOG 5###

*GEOG 5940 Internship in Geography or GEOG 5950 independent study
may be counted only once toward the 5000 level elective requirement

CAREER OUTLOOK

Bureau of Land Management
US Forest Service
Division of Wildlife Resources
Fish and Wildlife Services
Department of Agriculture & Food & Forestry
Land focused conservation organizations
Nature Conservancy
Environmental Law

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