**GEOGRAPHY (GEOG)**

**GEOG Courses**

**GEOG 150. Human Geography. 4 units**

GE Area D3  
Term Typically Offered: F, W, SP  
The interplay of cultures, places, and environments, with emphasis on  
diversity and globalization. Topics include characteristics and patterns of  
human population, migration, ethnicity, agriculture, geopolitics, language,  
religion, urbanization, industry, and international development. 4 lectures.  
Fulfills GE D3.

**GEOG 200. Special Problems for Undergraduates. 1-4 units**

Term Typically Offered: F, W, SP  
Prerequisite: Consent of department head.  
Individual investigation, research, studies, or surveys of selected  
problems. Total credit limited to 8 units, with a maximum of 4 units per  
quarter.

**GEOG 250. Physical Geography. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: F, W  
Addresses the origins and patterns of the earth’s diverse assemblage  
of climates, landforms, biota and soils. A major focus on relationship  
between human cultures and these earthly environments. 4 lectures.  
Crosslisted as ERSC/GEOG 250.

**GEOG 270. Selected Topics. 1-4 units**

Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Open to undergraduate students and consent of instructor.  
Directed group study of selected topics. The Schedule of Classes will list  
title selected. Total credit limited to 8 units. 1 to 4 lectures.

**GEOG 300. Geography of United States. 4 units**

GE Area D5  
Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Junior standing and completion of GE Areas A, D3.  
The population (including origin, ethnicity, migration, and distribution),  
land utilization, and economic development viewed against the  
background of the physical environment. Topically and regionally  
organized. Pervading themes include landscape evolution and alteration,  
regional cultural distinctiveness, and current problems. 4 lectures.  
Fulfills GE D5 except for Anthropology/Geography and Social Sciences majors.

**GEOG 301. Geography of Resource Utilization. 4 units**

GE Area D5  
Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Areas A and D3.  
Multicultural, global perspective on the interdependence of people,  
ecosystems, and resource utilization. Topics include population, resource  
economics, food, forestry, fishing, water resources, air pollution, climate  
change, minerals, and energy. Grounded in principles of economic  
geography and environmental science, with emphasis on sustainability. 4  
lectures. Fulfills GE D5 except for Anthropology/Geography majors.

**GEOG 308. Global Geography. 4 units**

GE Area D5  
Term Typically Offered: F, W, SP  
Prerequisite: Junior standing and completion of GE Areas A and D1.  
Examination of the major world regions such as Europe, the Middle  
East, Africa, Asia and Latin America. Focus on the origins and content of  
contemporary cultural landscapes and on their utility for understanding  
international differences, interactions, and current events. Particular  
attention to the relationship between humans and the environment. 4  
lectures. Fulfills GE D5 except for Anthropology/Geography and Social  
Sciences majors.

**GEOG 318. Applications in GIS. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: F, W, SP  
Prerequisite: Junior standing and computer literacy.  
ArcGIS Desktop Geographic Information System (GIS) computer software  
to explore environmental, natural resource, social and economic issues  
using spatial data. Principles of cartography and map interpretation.  
Development of data base and software management competencies. 2  
lectures, 2 laboratories.

**GEOG 325. Climate and Humanity. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Junior standing.  
Geographic perspective on the interrelationships between climate and  
human cultures. Effects of people on climate and the influence of climate  
and weather upon human activities and behavior. Focus on global human  
conditions which are responsible for the alteration of climate and in turn  
are vulnerable to climate change. 4 lectures. Crosslisted as ERSC/GEOG 325.

**GEOG 328. Applications in Remote Sensing. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: W  
Prerequisite: GEOG 250 and junior standing.  
Introduction to the use of satellite imagery to analyze natural and human  
features on the earth. Applications in geology, water, climate, vegetation,  
agriculture, and urban land use. Fundamentals of processing digital  
satellite images. Emphasis on bridging the earth and social sciences. 3  
lectures, 1 laboratory.

**GEOG 333. Human Impact on the Earth. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Junior standing.  
Global assessment of the impact of humans on the earth’s vegetation,  
animals, soil, water and atmosphere. Emphasis on problems stemming  
from the interactions of human attitudes, technologies, and population  
with natural resources. 4 lectures. Crosslisted as ERSC/GEOG 333.

**GEOG 340. Geography of California. 4 units**

Term Typically Offered: W  
Prerequisite: Junior standing.  
Analysis of the land and people of California from a geographical  
perspective. Patterns of environment, history, settlement, water,  
agriculture, ethnicity, economy, politics, and urban growth. Current issues  
are examined in a national and global context. 4 lectures.
GEOG 350. The Global Environment. 4 units
GE Area F
Term Typically Offered: F
Prerequisite: Junior standing and completion of GE Areas A and B.

Interdisciplinary investigation of how human activities impact the Earth’s environment on a global scale. Examination of population, resource use, climate change, and biodiversity from scientific/technical and social/economic/historical/political perspectives. Use of remote sensing maps. Sustainable solutions. 4 lectures. Crosslisted as AG/EDES/ENGR/GEOG/ISLA/SCM/UNIV 350. Fulfills GE Area F.

GEOG 370. Geography of Latin America. 4 units
GE Area D5
Term Typically Offered: W
Prerequisite: Junior standing and completion of GE Areas A, D3.

Geographic analysis of the lands and peoples of Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. Patterns of environment, culture, politics, economy, and development. Issues (local, regional, and global) shaping Latin America today, with emphasis on U.S.-Latin America relations. 4 lectures. Fulfills GE D5 except for Anthropology/Geography majors.

GEOG 380. Geography of the Caribbean. 4 units
GE Area D5
Term Typically Offered: SP
Prerequisite: Junior Standing; completion of GE Areas A, D3, and an additional Area D course.

Geographic analysis of the Caribbean including the Greater Antilles, Lesser Antilles, and the Caribbean coasts of Central and South America. Investigates patterns and relationships between the physical and cultural geographies from local, regional, and global perspectives. 4 lectures. Fulfills GE D5 except for Anthropology and Geography majors.

GEOG 400. Special Problems for Advanced Undergraduates. 1-4 units
Term Typically Offered: F, W
Prerequisite: Consent of department head.

Individual investigation, research, studies, or surveys of selected problems. Total credit limited to 8 units, with a maximum of 4 units per quarter.

GEOG 408. Geography of International Development. 4 units
Term Typically Offered: F
Prerequisite: GEOG 308.

Detailed analysis of international development from a geographical perspective. Survey of various theories of development and their cultural and ecological components at multiple geographic scales, including institutions and actors involved. Applicable skills for development research and practice, emphasizing sustainability. 4 lectures.

GEOG 414. Global and Regional Climatology. 4 units
Term Typically Offered: TBD
Prerequisite: Junior standing.

The earth’s pattern of climates and the physical processes that account for them. Focus on interrelationships between climate and the physical/biological and cultural environments. Special emphasis on modern climate changes and their consequences. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Crosslisted as ERSC/GEOG 414.

GEOG 415. Applied Meteorology and Climatology. 4 units
Term Typically Offered: SP
Prerequisite: ERSC/GEOG 250.

Physical processes in the atmosphere that determine regional weather, climate and climate variability. Surface and satellite systems for weather observation, and weather/climate modeling. Dynamics of weather systems, including thunderstorms and hurricanes. Emphasizes on weather/climate affecting agriculture and other human activities. 3 lectures, 1 activity. Crosslisted as ERSC/GEOG 415.

GEOG 440. Advanced-Applications in GIS. 4 units
Term Typically Offered: SP
Prerequisite: GEOG 318.

Applications in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) emphasizing research, methodologies, and career fields to geography, earth sciences, and the social sciences. 2 lectures, 2 laboratories.

GEOG 455. Anthropology-Geography Research Design and Methods. 4 units
Term Typically Offered: F, W
Prerequisite: Completion of one GE B2 and two upper division ANT or GEOG classes.

Development of knowledge and skills needed to conduct original scientific anthropology-geography research and prepares students for senior projects. Various empirical methodologies highlighted, with a focus on quantitative design and measurement of human culture, biology, behavior, environment and ecology. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Crosslisted as ANT/GEOG 455.

GEOG 461. Senior Project I. 2 units
Term Typically Offered: F, W
Prerequisite: Senior standing.

Selection and completion of a project under faculty supervision. Projects typical of problems which graduates must solve in their fields of employment. Project results are presented in a formal report. Minimum 120 hours total time.

GEOG 462. Senior Project II. 2 units
Term Typically Offered: F, W
Prerequisite: Senior standing.

Selection and completion of a project under faculty supervision. Projects typical of problems which graduates must solve in their fields of employment. Project results are presented in a formal report. Minimum 120 hours total time.

GEOG 464. Professional Preparation for Anthropologists/Geographers. 1 unit
CR/NC
Term Typically Offered: F
Prerequisite: Junior standing, ANT 201, GEOG 150.

Preparation for professional advancement in the fields of anthropology and geography. Supervised career planning emphasizing resume development, selection of an internship or international experience, exploration of career options and graduate programs. Lectures from outside, practicing professionals. Credit/No Credit grading only. 1 seminar.
GEOG 465. Internship. 3-8 units  
CR/NC  
Term Typically Offered: F, W, SP  
Prerequisite: GEOG 464, senior standing and/or consent of instructor.

Supervised training, research, and work in public and private organizations. Credit/No Credit grading only. Total credit limited to 18 units.

GEOG 470. Selected Advanced Topics. 1-4 units  
Term Typically Offered: TBD  
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Directed group study of selected topics for advanced students. Open to undergraduate and graduate students. Class Schedule will list topic selected. Total credit limited to 12 units. 1-4 lectures.