



# Geography

## Our Program

Do you care about the planet and its people beyond your daily routine? Are you feeling adventurous, with a desire to work outside the typical office setting? See how geography at Humboldt State can open up a whole world of possibilities.

When you think “geography,” what comes to mind? Maps? State capitals? Sure, maps are an important part of the geographer’s toolkit, but we’ll show you how they’re only the beginning. In our challenging program you’ll receive a broad foundation in physical and human geography and geospatial science, plus you can customize your degree by choosing to concentrate your upper division course work in one or more areas - human geography, physical geography, or geospatial science. You’ll also develop professional skills in writing, research, presentations and the latest technologies that include geographic information systems, remote sensing and, yes, mapping of all kinds.

When you study Geography at Humboldt State, you’re part of something bigger. A community of passionate teachers and students. You’ll learn just as much from your fellow students, too, who share their love of geography and adventure in class, in the lab, on trips and through our active student association, the HSU Geographic Society. Working with faculty and fellow students, you explore humankind’s ever-changing relationship to the environment. Then you use what you know out in the field or using your geospatial skills, undertaking important research topics that interest you—like climate change, deforestation, ethnic conflict, migration patterns, economic geography, resource use, conservation, and much more—in places that inspire you, from California to Tibet.

Innovative teaching, hands-on learning and unforgettable field study are just a few of the reasons our program stands out. Our professional-minded students also attend regional and national conferences each year, where their projects earn major awards and the respect of their fellow geographers. We’re known far and wide for preparing students for success in graduate school and on the job.

The major in geography at Humboldt analyzes physical and cultural patterns and processes as they occur at both local and regional levels. The program covers a wide variety of interests and provides for individual specialization. The major requires 41-49 units depending on specialization and selected courses. On average, 30-40 majors graduate each year.

## For more information

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## Bachelor of Arts

### Minor

### Related Careers

- Aerial Photo Interpreter
- Agricultural Geographer
- Cartographer
- Cartographic Researcher
- Certified Arborist
- City Planner
- Climatologist
- Coastal Commission Director
- County Planner
- Demographer
- Environmental Planner
- Environmental Research Specialist
- Foreign Service
- Geographical Consultant
- GIS Coordinator
- Industrial Development Specialist
- Intelligence Analyst
- Land Use Management Specialist
- Map Editor
- Marketing Area Analyst
- Mining Impact Analyst
- Navigation Response Associate
- Park Ranger
- Recreational Area Manager
- Resource Planning Analyst
- Teacher
- Urban Planner

Careers listed may require additional education. For more information about careers & employers, see the Geography Career Guide

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