GEOGRAPHY

Geographers explore the relationships and interactions between people and our environment using a diverse suite of field, laboratory and computer-based research tools and techniques to solve real-world problems. The Geography program offers a variety of undergraduate and graduate degrees and certificates, with a full range of teaching and research opportunities on- and off-campus.

PROGRAMS



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Arts in Geography
- Bachelor of Science in Geography
- Bachelor of Science in Geospatial Science
- Geographic Information Science Certificate
- Master of Science in Geography
- Master of Science in Geographic Information Science
- Geographic Information Science Graduate Certificate

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Geography offers a variety of undergraduate and graduate degrees and certificates, with a range of courses, field and laboratory experiences, and internship opportunities. The Department houses the GIScience, Cartography, and Weather Labs and is affiliated with the EARTH Systems Lab. Geography students gain hands-on experience with cutting-edge tools, techniques, and software to examine contemporary issues, making our graduates well-prepared for a career or advanced study in earth, environmental, community, and geospatial fields.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Analytical Skills
- Communication Skills
- Computer Skills
- Critical Thinking
- Spatial Reasoning
- Enjoy Traveling

CAREERS

- Agriculture Analyst/Specialist
- Business/Retail Sales Analyst
- Natural Resource Conservation
- City/Regional Planner
- Community Health Specialist
- Community Organizer
- GIS Technician/Analyst

EMPLOYERS

- Bedrock
- East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning
- Johnson & Scofield Surveying & Engineering
- Missoula County
- Scott County Soil and Water Conservation
- Washington County Park Department

INSPIRED ACTION



EMPLOYMENT RATE

100%

of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

Graduates: 17
Respondents: 16
link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

\$90,880

The median annual wage for Geographers in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Geographers, at <u>link.mnsu.edu/geography-salary</u>

PROGRAM WEBSITE



hss.mnsu.edu/geography

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN - GEOGRAPHY, BS

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)	
GEOG 101 Introductory Physical Geography (3) GEOG 103 Introductory to Cultural Geography (3) ENG 101 Foundations of Writing & Rhetoric (4) FYEX 100 First Year Experience (1) General Education, Goal Area 6 (3) General Education, Goal Area 11 (1)	GEOG 340 United States (3) General Education, Goal Area 1B (3-4) General Education, Goal Area 3-Lab (4-5) General Education, Goal Area 4 (4) General Education, Goal Area 11 (1)	
Second Year (Fall)	Second Year (Spring)	
GEOG 373 Introduction to GIS (4) General Education, Goal Area 6 (3) General Education, Goal Area 7 (3) General Education, Goal Area 9 (3) Upper Level Elective (3-4)	GEOG XXX Cultural-Systemic Course (3) GEOG XXX Physical Course (3-4) General Education, Goal Area 5 (3-4) Upper Level Electives (6+)	
Third Year (Fall)	Third Year (Spring)	
GEOG XXX Foreign Regional Course (3) GEOG 401 Colloquium (1) GEOG Upper Level Elective (3-4) GEOG Upper Level Elective (3-4) Upper Level Electives (5)	GEOG 4XX Capstone (3) Upper Level Electives (12)	
Fourth Year (Fall)	Fourth Year (Spring)	
Upper Level Electives (15)	Upper Level Electives (15)	

For more information about program requirements, visit: mnsu.edu/academics/academic-catalog

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