

## Geography Overview

Geography studies places and human activities across the earth. Geographers often ask where? and why? The field focuses on the distribution and changes in the location of ethnicities, resources, transportation, land use, industries, climate, physical land formations, etc. Many geography courses have both physical environment and human/cultural components. The geography faculty often have a global and interdisciplinary approach. Geography courses fulfill a number of requirements for the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, Education majors, Social Science disciplines, and government and international careers. Special topics and field study courses are added occasionally.

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### GEOG 1700 Physical Geography

This course introduces students to natural landscapes and the geography of the physical environment. Topics include: volcanoes, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, landslides, glaciers, soil, the water cycle, etc. The course covers how these processes work, as well as how these systems and humans impact each other. So this course also covers environmental concerns such as destruction of environments, desertification, air pollution, climate change, etc. (Prerequisite(s): READ 0721 or READ 0724 or EAPP 0860 with a grade of "C" or better, or appropriate assessment score) (MnTC: Goals 5 & 10) 3C/3/0/0

### GEOG 1720 Human/Cultural Geography

This course covers the geographic study of the world cultural areas. Topics include: cultural geography (patterns of language and religion, folk customs, globalization, popular culture), political geography (formation of countries, conflict over land), populations (growth, distributions, migrations, characteristics), global economic activity, and development. Case studies from many parts of the world will be analyzed and key geographic concepts will be reviewed. (Prerequisite(s): READ 0721 or READ 0724 or EAPP 0860 with a grade of "C" or better, or appropriate assessment score) (MnTC: Goals 5 & 8) 3C/3/0/0

### GEOG 1740 World Geography

This course covers the geographic study of the world discussing U.S. and Canada, Latin America, Africa, Middle East, Europe, and various regions in Asia. Topics covered include: cultures and characteristics of regions, development, unique features around the world, movements of people around the world, the natural landscapes, economic influences, and conflict between countries. (Prerequisite(s): READ 0721 or READ 0724 or EAPP 0860 with a grade of "C" or better, or appropriate assessment score) (MnTC: Goals 5 & 8) 3C/3/0/0

### GEOG 1750 Minnesota Geography

In this course, students will explore Minnesota's regions. Topics covered include: people (culture, settlement patterns, and migrations), physical landscapes (glacial landforms, soils, and waterways), land use (agriculture, manufacturing, urbanization, etc.), geopolitical issues, and economics. (Prerequisite(s): READ 0721 or READ 0724 or EAPP 0860 with a grade of "C" or better, or appropriate assessment score) (MnTC: Goals 5 & 10) 3C/3/0/0

### GEOG 1790 Special Topics in Geography

This course is designed to present additional or unique material and learning experiences within a specified discipline. The course will be based on student need, flexibility, and may be designed to meet various transfer and pre-major course requirements. Please see a current Course Schedule for complete course details. (Prerequisite(s): READ 0721 or READ 0724 or EAPP 0860 with a grade of "C" or better, or appropriate assessment score) (MnTC: Goal 5) Variable credits 1-6

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