ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN GEOGRAPHY FOR TRANSFER

Geography is an important topic that bridges the gap between the natural sciences and humans in society. This is an important field for addressing modern social and environmental issues. A student completing this degree will learn important introductory material necessary for transfer to a four-year institution in order to major in Geography. Completing the 19 units in the major area, along with the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education - Breadth Requirements to total 60 transferable units with a minimum grade point average of 2.0 and a C or better in all classes assigned to the major will satisfy the requirements for transfer into corresponding departments at CSUs. Priority admission with junior status to the CSU system will be granted. Students completing this degree are exempt from Mendocino College Institutional Requirements.

| Required Courses – Major: | | Units |
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| GEO 201 | Cultural Geography | 3 |
| GEO 206 | Physical Geography | 4 |
| Plus 6 additional units from the following: | | Units |
| EAS 211 | Weather and Climate | 3 |
| EAS 222 | Applied GIS | 3 |
| GEO 202 | World Regional Geography | 3 |
| Plus 6 additional units from the following or any courses not used above: | | Units |
| ANT 201 | Cultural Anthropology | 3 |
| EAS 212 | Introduction to Geographic Information Systems | 3 |
| GEL 201 | Geology | 3 |
| Total Major Units | | 19 |
| Total Degree Units | | 60 |

Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

- **1.** After completing requirements for an A.A.-T in Geography, students will have a working knowledge of both physical and cultural geography.
- 2. After completing requirements for an A.A.-T in Geography, students will have a working knowledge of meteorology and world regional geography
- **3.** After completing requirements for an A.A.-T in Geography, students will have a working knowledge of associated topics in geology and cultural anthropology.

Career Opportunities in GEOGRAPHY

Graduates with geography degrees generally find employment opportunities in both the public and private sectors. These opportunities cross many components of society, from resource management to urban planning, from environmental degradation to natural hazards, from mapping to marketing. Based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, job growth for geographers is expected to be highest of all STEM fields, with an expected 29% growth in the next decade (2012-2022).

Associate Degree for Transfer requirements pursuant to SB 1440:

- 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units.
- the California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth); OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.
- a minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district.
- obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- earn a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.