

Geography: Associate in Arts for Transfer CSU

From local to global scales, geographers study political organization, transportation systems, marketing, economics, climate and weather, urban planning, land use development, globalization, and more. They examine the distribution of landforms, study soils, and vegetation, analyze limited resources such as water, and human impacts on the surface of the planet. In general, geographers work in government research, public agencies, and are environmental consultants for nonprofit organizations.

Please see a Pathways Counselor: Transfer degrees require a minimum of 60 semester CSU transferable units or UC semester transferable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA overall. [Contact a Counselor](#) to create an education plan customized to meet your needs.

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

- Geography, A.A.-T CSU, UC


GE Pattern/Units

- GE Pattern: Option B
- Total Units: 60

Program maps indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/semester or 30 units/year). If you are a part-time student, start Semester 1 courses and follow the course sequence. Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](#).


Semester 1

14 Units

	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL-101	College Composition	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	MATH-140	Introduction to Statistics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-101	Physical Geography	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-104	Physical Geography Lab	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-102 or GEOG-108	Cultural Geography or World Regional Geography	3

Semester 2

15 Units

	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL-103	Critical Thinking and Writing	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST-160/ETHS-160, LIT-275/ETHS-275, or LIT-280/ETHS-280	Black History in the American Context or Latinx/Chicanx Literature or Multiethnic Literature	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST-111 or HIST-112	U.S. History to 1877 or U.S. History Since 1865	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ART-100	Art Appreciation	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM-100	Public Speaking	3

Career Options

Geophysical Data Technicians (B, M)

Geographers (B, M, D)

Find more careers: msjc.emsicc.com

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor's, M: Master's; D: Doctorate

Financial Aid

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.


Summer

3 Units

	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENVS-101	Environmental Science	3


Semester 3

12 Units

	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-111	Geography of California	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ART-101	Art History: Prehistoric Through Medieval Art	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PS-101	Introduction to American Government and Politics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-105	Map Interpretation and Spatial Analysis	3

Semester 4

16 Units

	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL-115	Topics in Biology	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-115	Digital Earth: Intro. to Geographic Information Science	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL-101	Introduction to Philosophy I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ANTH-102	Cultural Anthropology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEOG-106	Introduction to Weather and Climate	3

Notes:

Language Requirement: Some CSU's require the equivalency of an intermediate language proficiency for graduation. Please see a counselor for more detail regarding specific CSU major and graduation requirements.

Work Experience

Sign up for a special project or internship opportunity. Gain [work experience](#) and earn credits.