

# GEOGRAPHY (GEO)

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## **GEO 130 Principles of Geography (3 Credits)**

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## **GEO 130H Honors Principles of Geography (3 Credits)**

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## **GEO 141 World Regional Geography (3 Credits)**

Contact the department for specific course information.

## **GEO 336 Political Geography (3 Credits)**

Examination of the relationship between politics and territory including how natural environments, distributions of populations and resources, and levels of technological developments influence political decisions and the world geographic realms.

## **GEO 337 Geography of Africa (3 Credits)**

Study of the natural regions of the continent, the physical and human resources and activities, the urban centers and economic and political problems and potentials. Emphasis on the analysis of problems and situations in regions and countries in the Islamic and Sub-Saharan African realms.

## **GEO 338 Caribbean Geography (3 Credits)**

Examination of Caribbean cultural and historical landscapes. An overview of the cultures, environmental and social issues, historical geography, geopolitics, economics and social processes in the Caribbean. Focus will be on current developments in the Caribbean islands and the role of this region in the world.

**Prerequisites:** Take ENG-102.

## **GEO 360 Introduction to Gis (3 Credits)**

Introduction to the concepts and theories of geographical information systems. This course and program are not about learning any one piece of software or software training. Course emphasis is on the creation, visualization, and analysis of geographically referenced data.

**Prerequisites:** Take GEO-130.

## **GEO 366 Illicit and Illegal Geographies (3 Credits)**

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## **GEO 366H Honors Illicit and Illegal Geographies (3 Credits)**

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## **GEO 430 Geography of Atlantic World Slavery (3 Credits)**

Examination of the spatial expression of slavery in Africa, Europe, and the European New World colonies from 1450 onward. Focal topics include 1) the role geography played in the unique experience of enslaved people throughout the Atlantic World, 2) the role of landscape in slave revolts and other forms of resistance, 3) the spatial legacies of slavery, and 4) the geographic nature of remembering and forgetting slavery throughout the Atlantic Ocean.

## **GEO 450 Cultural Geography (3 Credits)**

An overview of cultural geography and its history considering major themes in the last century. Examination of theories, themes, and concepts associated with the "new" cultural geography of the last four decades and how ideas in cultural geography influence and are influenced by related disciplines.