



Associate Degree for TransferSM

GEOGRAPHY FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)



In support of the established SB 1440, the Student Transfer Achievement Reform (STAR) Act, and the college's mission, vision and values, Grossmont College has created the **Associate in Arts in Geography for Transfer** degree. Students earning this Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) will have fulfilled the lower-division major preparation requirements for a degree considered similar at a participating California State University (CSU) campus.

Geography is the science of "where". The study of location is related to everything. Geography examines features and activities of the physical environment, human activities and landscapes, and the interactions and relationships between them. As such, Geographers draw upon theories from both the physical and social sciences. As physical scientists, Geographers study where processes, features and characteristics within Earth systems are distributed such as climate, earthquakes, ecosystems, landforms, hydrology, weather, and more — revealing the significance of place. As social scientists, Geographers study the distribution of societies, languages, cultures, land-use patterns, urbanization and globalization, resources such as energy and water, global issues, and environmental conservation. Geographers help society (industries, economies, environmental and sustainability efforts, urban planning, humanitarian efforts, etc.) see the bigger picture of how things are interrelated that contributes to the development of a better understanding of how to more sustainably live and interact with our planet.

The following is required for an Associate Degree for Transfer:

1. Minimum of 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units.
2. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework.
3. Minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major.
4. A grade of "C" or higher or "Pass" in all courses required for the major.
5. Certified completion of the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) pattern; see Degree Requirements, General Education & Transfer Information section for more information.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:
 1. Apply the scientific method.
 2. Demonstrate spatial literacy.
 3. Analyze spatial information and patterns.
 4. Evaluate relationships between humans and the environment.
 5. Employ geoscience technology for spatial data management.

Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Core		
GEOG-120	Physical Geography: Earth Systems	3
GEOG-121	Physical Geography: Earth Systems Laboratory	1
GEOG-130	Human Geography: The Cultural Landscape	3
List A		
GEOG-104	Introduction to Geographic Information Science	3
GEOG-170	The Geography of California	3
List B		
GEOG-140	Meteorology: Weather and Climate	3
GEOG-150	Field Study of the Natural History of the Greater San Diego Region	3
Units for the major		19
Plus General Education Requirements (Cal-GETC) (https://catalog.gcccd.edu/grossmont/admission-information/general-education-transfer/)		34
Total Units		60

Complete transferable units as needed to reach 60.

Additional Information:

SDSU accepts AA-T degrees in Geography for the General Geography emphasis only. The major requires a minimum of 2.00 Cumulative G.P.A. Check with a Counselor for applicability to other CSU's.

Students applying with the AA-T in Geography will receive priority in the admissions process but are not guaranteed admittance into the CSU of their choice. Admission is highly competitive for most CSU's. Students are strongly advised to go above and beyond minimum G.P.A requirements and apply for admission at multiple campuses.

*Every effort has been made to ensure this information is accurate. However, the official document the San Diego State Catalog. For additional information specific to SDSU visit the following SDSU website: <https://admissions.sdsu.edu/transfers>.