The HSU Geography Department offers an extensive undergraduate program, with both a major and minor, incorporating a wide range of courses in human and physical geography and geographic techniques. The department is nationally renowned for innovative teaching, hands-on learning, and field-study experiences. Our students have won awards at state and national professional conferences for outstanding paper and map presentations.

The department has innovative courses on diverse topics, including postmodern urban landscapes, human migrations and ethnic conflicts, geography of mountain regions, and arid lands. Additionally, department has opportunities for internships with local government, planning agencies, nonprofit organizations, and the National Park Service. The department has a strong record of placing students in prestigious summer internships with the National Geographic Society.

Related Job Titles
The following list is not meant to be all inclusive; many other job alternatives and titles may exist. Many of the job titles listed require further education.

- Land-Use Analyst
- Surveyor
- Cartographer
- Systems Analyst
- Cartography Compiler
- Map Analyst
- Teacher
- Climatologist
- Geographic Information System
- Map Curator Librarian
- Writer/Author
- Editor
- Traffic Manager
- Coastal Zone Manager
- Geophysics Assistant
- Map Editor
- Transportation Analyst
- Community Developer
- Intelligence Agent
- Market Research Analyst
- Transportation Manager
- Computer Mapper
- Health Services Planner
- Natural Resources Spec.
- Urban/Regional Planner
- Demographer
- Analyst
- Park Ranger
- Weather Forecaster
- Statistician
- Industrial Developer
- Peace Corp Volunteer
- Wildlife Range Manager
- Urban Planner
- Industrial Planner
- Environmental Impact Analyst

Possible Employers

Federal/National Programs
- Cultural Affairs Agencies
- Department of State
- Department of Transportation
- Department of Housing & Urban Dev.

Environmental Protection Agency
- Department of Agriculture
- Peace Corps
- AmeriCorps
- Department of Commerce
- Department of Defense
- National Aeronautics & Space Admin.
- Department of Health & Human Serv.

Private:
- Mapping Agencies Firms
- Land Developers
- Marketing Firms
- Distribution Companies
- Public Relations Firms
- Non-Profit Organizations NGO's
- Consulting Firms

Resource Management Agencies
- Planning Agencies
- Text Map Publishers
- Travel Agencies
- Community Outreach Programs
- Real Estate Development Corp.
- Aerial Survey Firms
- Architectural Firms
- Engineering Firms
- Environmental Consulting Firms
- Insurance Companies
- International Corporations
- Think Tanks Policy Centers

State, County Local Agencies:
- Public Relations Media Departments
- Planning Departments-City Managers
- Colleges and Universities
- Community Outreach Organizations

Transportation Departments
- Offices of Elected Officials
- Assessors Departments
- Office of Education School Boards
- Parks Recreation
- Risk Management
- Public Health
- Social Services Organizations
A 4-year College Degree is designed to give you the Top Skills employers are looking for. According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, those skills and abilities are:

- Effective Communication
- Working in a team structure
- Making decisions/solving problems
- Planning/organizing and prioritizing work
- Obtaining and processing information
- Analyzing quantitative data
- Proficiency with computers and software
- Creating and editing written reports
- Selling and influencing others

**Marketable Skills In Your Major**

**Analyzing Cultural/Geographic Issues**
- World overpopulation and food supply.
- Need to rebuild our cities and revitalize our rural areas.
- Underlying bases of international conflict and cooperation.
- Need to assess regional resource potentials and develop industry for prosperity.
- Use of environmental resources.

**Using Analytical Tools**
- Maps
- Aerial photographs
- Spatial statistics
- Geographic information systems
- Remote sensing

**Understanding Patterns**
- Soils Regional economies and development
- Climate Urbanization and urban systems
- Vegetation Agricultural and industrial activity

**Academic and Career Advising Center Services**

**Drop-In hours:** Monday – Friday, 10 am – 1 pm: Quick academic and career advice and drop-in resume/cover letter review. Drop-ins are handy for the following types of services:

- Job Search Basics
- Basic DARS Review
- Quick Resume Review
- Declaring a Major/Major Change
- Adding a Minor
- Navigating HSU Handshake
- How to Use DARS Degree Planner
- Cover Letter Review

**Academic and Career Advisors** (Please call 707-826-3341 or visit Gist Hall 114 to make an appointment)

Our helpful team of academic and career advisors can help you get the most out of your college experience with the following and much more during an individual appointment:

- Academic Planning
- Full-time Job Search
- DARS Questions
- 4-Year Plans
- Major Change Advising
- GE Information
- Internship Search
- Federal Work Study
- Mock Interview
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Career Assessment
- Adding a Second Major
- Graduate School Application
- How to use DARS Degree Planner
- Withdrawal or Transfer Advice
- Personal Statement

**HSU Handshake** (online job database and more!): Search for campus jobs, internships, summer jobs, community service, work-study, etc. Register for workshops and special events. Go to www.humboldt.edu/acac to register on HSU Handshake or call 707-826-3341 for assistance.

**Events and Workshops** (Contact us for more information!)

- Part-time Job Fair - August
- Graduate and Professional School Fair - September
- Internship Week - February
- Career & Volunteer Expo - February
- Ready, Set, Register! Semester Bulletin - Fall/Spring
- Educator Fair - March
- How to Find Part-Time Jobs Workshop - March
- How to Find an Internship Workshop - On-Going
- Getting the Most out of Career Expo Workshop - On-going
- Research Graduate Schools Workshop - February
- Federal Resume & Application Open Labs - Fall
- How to Find Internships in Your Home Town Workshop - Spring

Looking for professional development opportunities for your on-campus club or organization?
- Request a Career Advisor to give a group presentation on subjects like resume development or job search.