GEOGRAPHY CAREER SUMMARY

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SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY

CAREER RESPONSIBILITIES

The diverse discipline of geography exposes students to the multitude of ways in which geographers study the world. Geographers study human-environment interactions and their spatially varying expression. Numerous tools and techniques are employed in geographic research including cartography, geographic information systems, satellite imagery and air photo interpretation, surveys, mathematical modeling and statistical analysis.

Skills Associated With Geography Majors:

- Enjoy challenges, questioning, analyzing, problem solving, and intellectual growth
 - Aptitude for accuracy and details
 - Ability to interpret and understand maps
 - Analytical, problem solving, communication, and organizational skills
 - Understanding of geographical principles

Sample Career Titles

Geography Teacher Aerial Photographer Park Naturalist Agricultural Consultant Geomorphologist Park Manager Geophysics Assistant Agricultural Extension Park Ranger Petrologist Agent Hazardous Waste Planner Health Services Manager Air/Water Quality Control Political Scientist Cartographer **Hydrologist Project Manager** Climatologist Industrial Developer **Property Manager** Coastal Zone Manager Public Utilities Specialist Industrial Planner Community Developer Prospector Intelligence Agent Remote Sensing Analyst Compiler International Economist Science Librarian Computer Analyst International Investment Computer Programmer Science Writer Analyst Demographer Land Developer Seismologist Earth Scientist Land Economist Soil Conservationist Earth Science Teacher Land Use Analyst Surveyor Systems Analyst Landscaper **Ecologist Economic Geographer** Lawyer **Technical Writer** Editor Location Expert Traffic Manager

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Environmental Consultant Map Analyst Transportation Analyst
Environmental Impact Analyst Map Curator Transportation Manager
Environmental Quality Map Editor Travel Specialist
Specialist Market Research Analyst Urban Planner
Facilities Planner Meteorologist Water Quality Specialist

Forestry Technician Mining Engineer Weather Forecaster
Geographer Natural Resource Manager Wildlife Manager
Geographic Area Specialist Naturalist Writer/Author
Geographic Information Oceanographer Zoning Investigator

Systems Specialist Outdoor Guide

To find out more about the daily work of these professions, skills needed, and salary ranges, go to Occupational Outlook Handbook and type a career title into the search field.

Visit **Career Education & Development**, 124 Bailey Library, to discuss these occupations and career opportunities with a Career Counselor.

^{**} Some careers may require additional training and/or education