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## Mission

The Mission of the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies is to provide its students with educational experiences of the highest quality, to conduct vital research that benefits society, and to serve our communities, from the local to the international levels. We are committed to outstanding teaching and scholarly activities within the framework of academic freedom, the diversity of people and ideas, a spirit of inclusiveness, and a global perspective.

## Vision

The Department of Geography and Environmental Studies will continue to stress both the theoretical and applied realms in all of our degree programs. We will provide a rigorous educational experience through innovative teaching, engagement with the community, and dedication to all of our students and alumni. We will increase our visibility as a research department through faculty scholarship, research grant activities, international collaborations, the recruiting of top students for our graduate programs, the organization of national and international conferences and symposia, a robust program of scholarly exchanges, and services in academic and professional organizations.

## Programs

The department offers three Ph.D. programs and five master's program. The Ph.D. programs are: (1) Doctor of Philosophy in Geography, (2) Doctor of Philosophy in Geographic Education, and (3) Doctor of Philosophy in Geographic Information Science. The master's programs include: (1) Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geographic Information Science, (2) Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geography, (3) Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geography (Geographic Education Concentration), (4) Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geography Resource & Environmental Studies, and (5) Master of Science (M.S.) in Geography. In addition to the in-residence programs mentioned above, the department offers an Online Ph.D. program in Geographic Education and an Online M.A.Geo. in Geography (Geographic Education Concentration). The online Ph.D. program and M.A.Geo. in Geography (Geographic Education Concentration) provide opportunities for students to complete the degree requirements online. The department also provides flexibility in the Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geography Resource & Environmental Studies and Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.) in Geographic Information Science by offering the option to take 51% to 100% of the required coursework online. Additional information about these programs is provided under the Current Students link at the department webpage (<https://www.geo.txstate.edu/>).

## Financial Assistance

Graduate assistantships are available to qualified candidates. Please contact the Graduate Program Coordinator for more information about financial assistance and the degree programs. For scholarship information, please contact the office of The Graduate College at Texas State or visit their website at <https://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/funding/scholarships.html>.

**All students are subject to the policies and procedures outlined in the departmental graduate student handbook available at <https://www.geo.txst.edu/currentstudents/graduateprograms/graduatepoliciesprocedures.html>**

## Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

- Major in Geographic Education (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/geographic-education-phd/>)
- Major in Geographic Information Science (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/geographic-information-science-phd/>)
- Major in Geography (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/geo-phd/>)

## Master of Applied Geography (M.A.Geo.)

- Major in Geographic Information Science (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/geographic-information-science-mageo/>)
- Major in Geography (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/mageo/>)
- Major in Geography (Geographic Education Option) (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/geography-geoeducation-mageo/>)
- Major in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/resource-environmental-studies-mageo/>)

## Master of Science (M.S.)

- Major in Geography (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/ms/>)

## Minor

- Geography (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/geography/minor/>)