DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

GEOGRAPHY (MA) AND GEOGRAPHY (MS)

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Geography Graduate Program encourages work on a wide range of research specialties and fosters strong interdisciplinary ties. The program offers Master of Arts (MA) and Master of Science (MS) degrees. The department is supportive of interdisciplinary studies and maintains strong linkages with many departments and units within the University including Environmental and Plant Biology, Geological Sciences, International Studies, and Environmental Studies.

For program admission requirements, visit: www.ohio.edu/geography/

PROGRAM GOALS

The Department of Geography offers graduate studies emphasizing theory and applications. Research areas include natural science, social science, and humanities, with emphasis on developing knowledge and skill sets that provide graduates with flexibility for choosing careers in academics, government and the private sector.

Graduate students work closely with faculty to develop thesis research or non-thesis concentrations in (1) environmental geography (environment and society, resource management, environmental justice), (2) physical geography (biogeography, geomorphology, climatology, meteorology), (3) globalization and development (economic geography, gender, population/migration), (4) human geography (historical, urban, political, cultural ecology), or (5) the geographic techniques (cartography, remote sensing, GISc).

RESEARCH/CREATIVE ACTIVITY AREAS

Opportunities exist for graduate student participation in a vibrant externally supported research program. Faculty are engaged in research sponsored by agencies such as the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the National Park Service, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Geological Survey, the World Bank, and the United Nations.

FACILITIES

Facilities in the Department include a state of the art Information Technology Laboratory supporting research and instruction in Geographic Information Science, the Scalia Laboratory for Atmospheric Analysis supporting teaching and research in climatology and meteorology, the OhioView Laboratory for Applied Geomatics Research supporting applied research in remote sensing and special studies using GIS, and the Carl Ross Geomorphology Research Laboratory, a facility used for research on landforms and their component sediments.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more about the graduate program in Geography, Contact the Graduate Chair:

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Our graduate students have secured employment with public agencies and private sector firms such as US EPA, US Geological Survey, National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA), Woolpert, and Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC); other graduate students have gone on to earn advanced graduate degrees at institutions including Texas A&M, Clark University, UNC Chapel Hill, and the University of South Carolina.