

Geography (GEG)

Associate Professor Soucek

112 Physical Geography (3)

An introduction to the living and non-living environments of the earth. Topics addressed include the weather and climate, land forms, solar energy, seasons, the hydrologic cycle, biogeography, and natural hazards. Upon successful completion of this course, students will have an understanding of the principles that govern the circulation of the atmosphere, the processes that produce the physical landscape, and the role of both in contributing to the distribution of living things upon the earth. *Offered alternate spring terms.*

112L Physical Geography Laboratory (1)

An introduction to the application of geographic principles, methods, and tools to understanding Earth's systems. The physical elements and processes that comprise our environment will be investigated. This includes energy, water, weather, climate, land forms, animals, and plants. Upon successful completion of this course, students will have an understanding of the physical factors that affect the Earth and contribute to the distribution of living things upon the planet. *Offered alternate spring terms. Must be concurrently enrolled in Geography 112.*

301 Social-Cultural Geography (3)

A course that examines the social, cultural, economic, and political interests and topics of geography. Its content provides integration for all of the social sciences and the necessary spatial and systems viewpoints. **This course fulfills the Cultural Perspectives requirement of the Doane Plan.**

Geology (GEO)

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Visiting Assistant Professor Ryter

The study of geology, geography, and meteorology examines the physical nature of the Earth, its history and resources. The courses support and enhance majors in other disciplines.

103 Physical Geology (4)

A study of the Earth including earth materials, processes of weathering and erosion, and processes acting to elevate earth surfaces. Lecture and laboratory. Study includes oceanography.

104 Historical Geology (4)

An introduction to paleontology and the geological development of North America. Topics addressed include stratigraphy, vertebrate and invertebrate paleontology, paleobotany, structural geology, plate tectonics and some theoretical aspects of biological evolution as supported by fossils. Lecture and laboratory. (Field trip probable.)