SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS

New Site Request

UNIVERSITY:	**SDSU**
DEGREE(S) AND PROGRAM:	**Geography (B.A.)**
NEW SITE(S): *Include address of new physical locations.* *Delivery methods are defined in AAC Guideline 5.5.*	**Online**
INTENDED DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION:	**2020-2021 Academic Year**
CIP CODE:	**45.0701**
UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:	**Geography & Geospatial Sciences**
BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:	**SGGS**
UNIVERSITY DIVISION:	**Natural Sciences**
BANNER DIVISION CODE:	**3T**

This request will not be posted to the university website for review of the Academic Affairs Committee until it is approved by the Executive Director and Chief Academic Officer.

University Approval
To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.

geospatial techniquesô courses in addition to coursework from other social sciences to better position graduates in their career endeavors. The students will benefit from a program that capitalizes on existing expertise on campus and the synergies that such a program cultivates. Many graduates with a B.A. in Geography work for federal, state, and local governmental agencies as well as for businesses, non-profit agencies, and non-governmental organizations. Careers locations range from the State Department and the Central Intelligence Agency to entities dealing with planning, trade, disaster relief, national defense, policing, and intercultural exchanges. Overall, the knowledge and skills of graduates with a B.A. in Geography positions graduates to work with different professionals to bring projects to fruition. For example, as noted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, many graduates ñwork with urban planners, civil engineers, legislators, or real estate professionals to determine the best location for new public transportationò.[2]

Delivery of the B.A. in Geography online will support SDSUôs *Imagine 2023* strategic plan.[3] The degree helps to ñAttain academic excellenceò (Goal: Achieve Excellence Through Transformative Education). Specifically, it will:

1b. Develop and grow high-quality and distinct academic programs designed to meet the needs of diverse students and market demands;

1c. Increase programs offered which use a diversity of delivery methods, times, (or scheduling) and locations.

The Department of Geography and Geospatial Sciences seeks to offer this program both face-to-face in Brookings and online. The online variant is important because it will give access to South Dakotans who are unable to move or travel to Brookings. SDSU will 10(re)17(l)8(iouW* nET8(lahe)14

Geography. Select two of the categories and complete one GEOG and one other discipline in each of the two chosen categories. Credits: 12

Political and CulturalGeography

GEOG 353 - Geography of Religion Credits: 3
GEOG 405 - Historical Geography Credits: 3
GEOG 459-559 - Political Geography (COM) Credits: 3
GEOG 460-560 - Geopolitics Credits: 3
GLST 480 - Ethics of Globalization Credits: 3
HIST 368

6. How will the university provide student services comparable to those available for students on the main campus?

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