

## EARLY FOUNDATIONS (Pre-1928)

Geography courses taught within geology and other departments.

## ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL REPUTATION (1930s-1950s)

Richard Hartshorne publishes *The Nature of Geography*, shaping modern geographic thought.



Arthur Robinson develops the **Robinson Projection**, revolutionizing world map design.



The Cartographic Lab is established, pioneering digital mapping techniques.



Growth in climate change research, urban geography, and critical cartography.

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1928

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2020

## History of the University of Wisconsin Madison Geography Department

Official founding of the Geography Department under Ellsworth Huntington.



Growth in human and physical geography research.

## ADVANCEMENTS IN CARTOGRAPHY AND GIS (1960s-1980s)

UW-Madison becomes a leader in cartography.



## MODERN INNOVATIONS (1990s-Present)

Expansion into GIScience, remote sensing, and environmental geography



Continues to rank among the top geography programs in the U.S.

