

Proposal for AP High School Course in Geographic Technology



The American Association of Geographers (AAG) has recently submitted a proposal to the director of AP Curriculum and Content Development to introduce a new Advanced Placement Course into US High Schools: AP Geographic Information Science & Technology (GIS&T). The proposal is currently under review by the College Board, who will decide on whether to introduce this new course.

According to Caliper, a supplier of GIS systems, mapping and GIS applications give students the tools they need for a broader global understanding. In addition, industries are increasingly driven by big data, for which spatial analysis is ideally suited. Education in GIS solutions will be critical to today's youth as they enter the job market. Caliper supports classroom initiatives through the provision of free geospatial technology to students.