



COURSE OUTLINE

GEO101

Prepared: Social Sciences Department Approved: Martha Irwin, Chair, Community Services and Interdisciplinary Studies

Course Code: Title	GEO101: HUMAN GEOGRAPHY				
Program Number: Name	:				
Department:	SOCIAL SCIENCES				
Semester/Term:	17F				
Course Description:	<p>This course seeks to provide the student with an introduction to Human Geography and its subdivision disciplines of politics, economics, history and social studies.</p> <p>The relationship between the earth, human activities and contemporary issues is emphasized. Students will see the relevance of geographic concepts as applied to human problems and achievements. Students will gain understanding of places, regions and spatial relationships as a result of the interaction between nature, culture and human activity.</p>				
Total Credits:	3				
Hours/Week:	3				
Total Hours:	45				
Essential Employability Skills (EES):	<p>#1. Communicate clearly, concisely and correctly in the written, spoken, and visual form that fulfills the purpose and meets the needs of the audience.</p> <p>#2. Respond to written, spoken, or visual messages in a manner that ensures effective communication.</p> <p>#5. Use a variety of thinking skills to anticipate and solve problems.</p> <p>#6. Locate, select, organize, and document information using appropriate technology and information systems.</p> <p>#7. Analyze, evaluate, and apply relevant information from a variety of sources.</p> <p>#8. Show respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems, and contributions of others.</p> <p>#9. Interact with others in groups or teams that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals.</p> <p>#10. Manage the use of time and other resources to complete projects.</p> <p>#11. Take responsibility for ones own actions, decisions, and consequences.</p>				
Course Evaluation:	Passing Grade: 50%, D				
Evaluation Process and Grading System:	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Evaluation Type</th> <th>Evaluation Weight</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Assignments</td> <td>30%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Evaluation Type	Evaluation Weight	Assignments	30%
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Presentation	20%
Tests	50%

Books and Required Resources:

Contemporary Human Geography by Rubenstein, James M
 Publisher: Pearson Edition: 3rd
 ISBN: 9780321999016
 Additional Resource Materials, Handouts, Video, etc., (provided by the professor)

Course Outcomes and Learning Objectives:

Course Outcome 1.

Recognize human geography concepts.

Learning Objectives 1.

- Identify the interdependence of geographic scales and the two-way process of interdependence
- Explore geography and exploration
- Investigate globalization
- Review human geographical concepts and tools
- Explore the uniqueness of places and the influence and meaning of places

Course Outcome 2.

Examine the changing global context.

Learning Objectives 2.

- Trace pertinent historical developments of Human Geography
- Investigate industrialization and geographic change
- Investigate patterns of settlement and urbanization

Course Outcome 3.



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Investigate Geographies of Population

Learning Objectives 3.

- Recognize and explore demography
- Understand population distribution and structure
- Recognize and apply:
 - o Population dynamics and processes
 - o Population and migration issues
 - Relate population, health and environment issues
 - Gather census data

Course Outcome 4.

Investigate the interaction between humans, environment and technology.

Learning Objectives 4.

- Define nature, society and technology
- Investigate key historical impacts on nature
- Explore resource issues
- Explore environmental impacts of energy needs

Course Outcome 5.

Explore the Mapping of Cultural Identities.

Learning Objectives 5.

- Investigate culture as a geographical process
- Explore folk and popular culture
- Investigate geography, religion and language
- Describe Cultural Nationalism
- Explore and investigate:
 - o Sexual geography
 - o Ethnicity and place



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- o Race and place
- o Gender, class and vulnerability
 - Explore Globalization and Cultural Change

Course Outcome 6.

Explore the Geography of Economic Development.

Learning Objectives 6.

- Assess the unevenness of economic development
- Investigate the development and distribution of industry
- Apply economic structure of countries and regions
- Explore principles of commercial and industrial location
- Investigate economic interdependence, globalization and local economic development

Course Outcome 7.

Investigate Agriculture and Food Production.

Learning Objectives 7.

- Trace traditional methods, historical developments and global restructuring in agricultural production
- Investigate the impact of the environment on agriculture and the impact of agriculture on the environment

Course Outcome 8.

Explore the Politics of Territory and Space.

Learning Objectives 8.

- Trace the development of the state
- Investigate Geopolitics and international relations



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- Explore colonialism and political geography
- Investigate and explore governing and democracy

Course Outcome 9.

Develop skills in group investigation and presentation of human geography.

Learning Objectives 9.

- Investigate a geographical subject
- Apply human geographical terms
- Analyze patterns
- Construct a presentation
- Illustrate reporting/presentation methods

Date:

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Please refer to the course outline addendum on the Learning Management System for further information.