

Course Name: World Regional Geography

Course Number: GEO* E111

Credits: 3

Catalog description: A study of the physical and human elements of global geography. Regional, cultural and population influences will be explored to give the student a better understanding of different geographical situations found in the world. The differences and inter-relationships of the developed and developing nations are probed in the depth necessary to understand present societies. Group discussions and audio-visual presentations are used as methods to give the student better insight into the influence of geography.

Prerequisite: ENG* 101

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):

None

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:

None

Embedded Competency(ies):

None

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):

☒ SSCI Social Science elective

Course objectives:

Course Specific Objectives:

- Knowledge of the theories and ideas associated with physical geography including landforms, weather and climate, earth materials and tectonic processes, soils and bioregions.
- 2. Application of cartography and the vocabulary of map reading and interpretation to appropriate course assignments.
- 3. Analysis of the interaction between humans and the natural environment and of population geography using the appropriate terminology.

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- 4. Analysis and synthesis of various cultures and their impact on geography as well as the impact of physical geography on the development and diffusion of cultures.
- 5. Comprehension of spatial interaction and political geography.
- 6. Analysis of economics and natural resources as they relate to the study of geography.
- 7. Comprehension and analysis of urban geography and an understanding of regions as a geographic concept.
- 8. Analysis of natural disasters and their links to human behavior and the environment.
- 9. The ability to apply the concepts, terms and issues addressed in the textbook on a local, regional, national and global scale.

Course Content:

- 1. Overview of conceptual framework of the world using an interactive systems approach.
- 2. Analysis of place using human systems (population characteristics, social values, political and economic), physical systems (landlords, climate, soil, and water resources), and interrelationships between places.
- 3. Introduction to information systems (maps, graphs, statistics, models).
- 4. Review of methods to counter prejudices and ethnocentrism by acquiring respect for cultures, societies and political and economic systems.

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