

Bellevue College

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Geography 102 – 5156 A -- World Regional Geography • 5 Credits

Meets Daily 11:30AM-12:20PM in D273

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ATTENTION: My Office, B106, is hard to find!!

B106 is down dirt/gravel path from SE corner of Room B101. Also, it has no windows!

Office hours: Thurs and Fri 10:30-11:00am and by appointment.

Social Science Office - D 110

Social Science Advisors in D110. They are very helpful.

Required book: Just (1) The Plaid Avenger's World: Nuclear Insecurity Edition #6; Kendall Hunt Publishing Company; John Boyer; 2012-2013. (2) Also, **You will need to buy scantrons for exams at bookstore.**

Course Description: We live in a global village. This geography class focuses on regional, national and international elements of that village. As we examine issues of location and learn about places around the world, you will learn more about the relationships between people and places. We'll examine how distant cultures and societies influence each other and where resources are distributed around the globe.

Geography is often about making connections between religions, cultures and regions. An important way to make connections in this class involves working with students from other countries and reading world news articles online. Bloomberg.com, news.google.com and seattletimes.com are good online world news sources. **I will put some articles on Canvas under Announcements this quarter.** As we listen to and learn from each other, our communication skills will be sharpened and our geographic knowledge enriched. **Learning Communities of three to five people** are important for this class. Please take advantage of this special classroom learning opportunity **by working in small groups and communicating with someone who doesn't speak your first language.**

Students with disabilities who have accommodation needs are required to contact Disability Resource Center (DRC) in room B132 (phone 425-564-2498). Also, please contact me as soon as possible.

Grading Scale: A=94-100; A- =89+; B+=85+; B= 81+; B- = 77+; C+ =72+; C=67+; C- =62+; D+ = 57+; D= 50+; F = <50.

40% First and Second Exams are worth 20% each

20% Third (Final) Exam... **Tues, Dec 8 (11:30am-12:30pm) in D 273.**

20% Three Map Quizzes... **up to 21% possible!**

10% Two (2) Homework Assignments done in **Learning Communities of three to five people.**

10% Two (2) MapWorks Assignments.

Good Luck...please earn an A, or two A's, or lots of A's!! You can do it!!

Readings and Schedule for Geography 102

Week 1

Chapter 18 Middle East and North Africa pp. 348-371, 374, 378-381, 383-385 and 388.

Chapter 19 Turkey pp. 400, 406 and 410.

Wed Sept 23 – *Let's find some good maps of the Middle East, North Africa and Turkey on A-Z Maps Online, an online database found on Bellevue College's Library and Media Center's (LMC) or elsewhere. To find A-Z Maps Online go to BC website>>Services>>Library Media Center (also, found under Library on **Canvas**) >>Databases >> Under "A" is A-Z Maps Online, Blank Maps, and an A-Z Maps Online tutorial. Hint: If you can't find a place, use an atlas' glossary in the library or give google a try. Also, try an online resource such as www.ilike2learn.com*

Fri. Sept 25- Discussion #1...

p. 370 >>>> **1.** What accounts for the Big Pluses with the Big Problems of the Middle East and North Africa? (Compare answers with Turkey on P. 410).

p. 357>>>> **2.** Match the people with their country and religious sect. **Hint**: Look for pictures later in the chapter for part of the answer.

Note: For discussions, please read the book and try to answer the questions before class, so you can share your answers in **Learning Communities of three to five** during class.

You are tested on the discussion information on the three exams.

Week 2.....Have you checked **Canvas yet?**

This syllabus and other critical information, such as reviews (under Files) and lists to know for the map quizzes (under Announcements), are on Canvas.

Chapter 8 Western Europe pp. 148-167.

Tues. We're using A-Z Maps Online (see Week 1 for information on this) for Europe this week.

Wed. Sept 30 - Discussion #2...p. 166 Are Western Europe's Big Problems harder or easier to solve than the Middle East/N. Africa's? Why? Please explain.

Chapter 9 Eastern Europe pp. 171-173 (Note: No Poland in 1815!), 176-177 (Marshall Plan), 179 and 185.

Remember: Answers to the homeworks and MapWorks can end up on the *next* exam. But, there are no comprehensive exams.

Week 3

Tue. Oct 6- Discussion #3A...p. Compare Eastern Europe's Big Pluses and Big Problems.

Thurs. Oct 8, Map Quiz # 1 on *European and Middle Eastern/North African Countries and Cities*.

Week 4

Wed. Oct 14 - Discussion #3B...p. 220. Compare Russia's Big Pluses and Big Problems. Again, information from the discussions can show up on the exams.

Chapter 10 Russia pp. 195-196, 201, 203-205, 209-210, 213.

Week 5

Mon. Oct. 19, Exam #1 -- Focus on everything covered so far except Map Quiz Info.

Wed. Oct 20 – No class.

Chapter 11 Japan pp. 230-231, 234-237 and 241. Note: Gojira (Godzilla) (ゴジラ) is a portmanteau of the Japanese words: gorira (ゴリラ, "gorilla"), and kujira (鯨 (クジラ, "whale").

Fri. Oct. 23 Discussion #4...p. 242 –Compare Japan's Big Pluses and Minuses.

Chapter 23 East Asia pp. 481-488, 490-495 and 503-504.

Week 6

Tue. Discussion #5...p. 506 -- Compare East Asia's Big Pluses and Minuses.

Thurs. Oct. 29 -- Map Quiz #2 on *Japanese, East Asian and Southeast Asian cities and countries.*

Chapter 24 – Southeast Asia -- pp. 509-517 and 519-520.

Week 7

Mon. Discussion #6...p. 524--Compare Southeast Asia's Big Pluses and Minuses.

Thurs. Nov. 5, Exam # 2 -- Focus on everything since Exam #1 except Map Quiz Info.

Chapter 13- Latin America p. 262-266, 270-272, 300, 304, 306, 308 and 344.

Week 8

Wed Nov 11 – Veteran's Day – No class.

Chapter 14 Mexico pp. 281-289 and 293.

Chapter 15 Central America pp. 299, 306-308.

Chapter 16 The Caribbean pp. 315-319 and 326.

Thurs. Nov. 12 Discussion #7... Compare Latin America's, Central America's and Mexico's Big Pluses and Minuses, pp. 278, 294, and 308.

Week 9

Chapter 7 North America pp. 125- 145.

Chapter 21 South Asia pp. 441-444, 450, 453 and 457-458.

Fri. Discussion #8...Compare pluses and minuses for South Asia on p. 462.

Week 10

Chapter 12 Australia and New Zealand pp. 245-254.

Chapter 20 Sub-Saharan Africa pp. 413-433

Tue. Nov. 24 -- Map Quiz #3 on Sub-Saharan African and South American cities and countries.

Thurs and Fri – Nov 26 and 27. Thanksgiving Holiday. No class.

Week 11

Tue. Discussion #9...Compare pluses and minuses for Australia on p. 256.

Wed. Discussion #10...Compare North America's and Sub-Saharan Africa's pluses and minuses. pp. 146 and 434.

Week 12

Final Exam given in class – All work covered since Exam #2 except Map Quiz Info.

Final is not comprehensive.

Tues, Dec. 8 (11:30am-12:30pm) in D273.

Due Dates and Student Responsibility

Extra-credit will be given at least once this quarter, but only on an exam and you must earn it. Also, four or five days this quarter when attendance is low I will have you sign a sheet of paper. Students who are present on those four or five days will be my metric for how I grade at the end of the quarter. For example, it may help you earn a B+ instead of a B (see page one (1) for grade breakdown) if you are close, but not quite at a B+. Also, I may give some information that is not in the textbook on those four or five days that could show up on the next exam.

While we will try to follow this syllabus, it is subject to change.

The flu may be a strike hard this quarter. Please do not come to school if you are ill.

To complete this course with a satisfactory grade you must carefully follow directions, finish all assignments on time, be prepared for map quizzes, and demonstrate a mastery of geographic concepts through performance on exams, and participation in group work on homework and discussions. In addition, student presentations, DVDs, files/announcements under BC's Canvas, class notes and textbook readings are important.

It is each student's responsibility to get any notes, or important information for any class time missed. Sign up for Canvas notifications to help your grade/stay organized.

Late homework/mapwork will have 25% deducted from grade this quarter.

Coming in late disturbs the class. Please get here on time and, if late, quietly sit in back.

Make-up Quizzes must be taken within two days of the scheduled quiz. They will have 25% deducted from the score and must be taken in class

Make-up exams must be arranged *in advance* with me. A phone call (leave message) **before** the exam or an e-mail **before** the exam suffices. Make-up exams have 25% deducted from the score. Please see Social Science Guidelines on pp. 5-7.

Talking during class about personal issues interferes with the learning of other students and is **UNACCEPTABLE. PLEASE LEAVE THE CLASSROOM AND TALK ELSEWHERE.** Also, please turn off cell phones, MP3 players, and I-pods during class.

Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic dishonesty are unacceptable at Bellevue College and are subject to disciplinary action and a reduced grade or failure of the class. See pages 5-7 of this syllabus.

Thanks for making this class successful.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this course successful students will be able to:

- 1) Understand the importance of the dynamic nature of place.
- 2) Identify physical and cultural features on a map.
- 3) Explain in short in-class tests weather and the dynamic nature of the atmosphere.
- 4) Recognize through charts and map study the spatial distribution of natural resources, languages, political parties, population and ethnic groups.
- 5) Explain the dynamics of the urban environment.
- 6) Explain the economic components within regions and their role in determining potential values, perceptions and decision making processes in a society.
- 7) Recognize the phenomena of globalization on the world community and the rapid pace and increasing scale of economic integration.
- 8) Using geography, discover the implications of, for example, the landlocked position of a country, on that country and the surrounding countries.
- 9) Question your geographic assumptions, so your understanding of our small, yet complex, world will be enriched.

Welcome to Bellevue College!!

Let's make the most of this quarter.

**PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION
Fall 2013**

Cheating, Stealing and Plagiarizing*

Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one's own without crediting the source) and inappropriate/disruptive classroom behavior are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to: talking out of turn, arriving late or leaving early without a valid reason, allowing cell phones/pagers to ring, and inappropriate behavior toward the instructor or classmates. The instructor can refer any violation of the Student Code of Conduct to the Dean of Student Services for possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College. Specific student rights, responsibilities and appeal procedures are listed in the Student Code of Conduct, available in the office of the Dean of Student Services and at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/policies/2/2050P> Student Code (Procedures).asp

Email Communication with instructors must be done through student email accounts only. Instructors cannot communicate with students about their course work or grades through student's personal email accounts.

Incomplete

If a student fails to complete all the required work for a course, an instructor may assign the grade of Incomplete ("I"). The student must complete the coursework by the end of the next quarter, or receive the assigned letter grade (usually an "F").

F Grade

Students who fail a course will receive a letter grade of "F."

Final Examination Schedule

The Social Science Division will adhere to the final examination schedule as stated in the BC Schedule. Final examinations will be held at the end of each quarter at fixed times. Instructors will not give examinations in advance of the regular schedule. A student who is absent from any examination held at any time during the quarter may forfeit the right to make up the examination. If, for illness or some other circumstance beyond the student's control, the student is unable to be present at any scheduled examination and has contacted the instructor on a timely basis, the student may be permitted to take such examination at a time designated by the instructor.

Withdrawal From Class

College policy states that students must formally withdraw from a class by the end of the seventh week of the quarter (Registration Office, B125). If a student has not withdrawn by that date, an appropriate letter grade will be assigned for the course.

Hardship Withdrawal

Instructors may assign the grade of "HW" (hardship withdrawal) at their discretion in the event that a student cannot complete the coursework due to extreme and exceptional circumstances. Students may also contact the Enrollment Services office BEFORE grades are assigned in cases of hardship.

Students Who Require Disability Accommodations:

Students with disabilities who have accommodation needs are encouraged to meet with the Disability Resource Centre (DRC) office located in D125 inside library (telephone 425.564.2498 or TTY 425.564.4110), to establish their eligibility for accommodation. The DRC office will provide each eligible student with an accommodation letter. Students who require accommodation

in class should review the DRC accommodation letter with each instructor during the first week of the quarter.

Students with mobility challenges who may need assistance in case of an emergency situation or evacuation should register with Disability Resource Centre, and review those needs with the instructor as well.

Distribution of Grades

Grades will not be posted in the Social Science Division or in faculty offices, and program assistants or coordinators will not give out grades. Students should access their grades through the BC Web site.

Return of Papers and Tests

Paper and/or Scantron score sheet returns will be arranged in the following ways ONLY: by mail, if student supplies the instructor with stamped, self-addressed envelope (with appropriate postage); or by the instructor designating a time and place whereby the student may retrieve his/her papers. Unclaimed papers and/or Scantron score sheets must be kept by the instructor for a minimum of sixty (60) instructional days following the end of the quarter.

***If you are accused of cheating, stealing exams and/or plagiarism, there is a Bellevue College Student Discipline and Appeals Procedure (the right to due process) which you may pursue. Contact the office of Division Chair (D110), the Dean of Student Services (B231A) or the Associated Student Body (C212) for information regarding the appeals process.**

"Top Ten" Campus Resources for Students

In alphabetical order:

Academic Success Center - Get free (!) tutoring (in virtually any subject), writing help, or math assistance at this great campus resource! Students who visit the Academic Success Center, we believe, do better in their classes. Stop by the Center in D204, or visit them online at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/asc/>

CEO (Career Education Options) - This is an EXCELLENT program for students aged 16-20 who did not receive high school diplomas. CEO advises and mentors its students, helping them attain a degree. Many of our students, with the help of CEO, have succeeded at their second chance at education. To learn more, visit <http://bellevuecollege.edu/ceo/> or call (425) 564-4035

Counseling Center - Did you know that BC offers free, short-term counseling for students? If you're having a problem in your life and you'd like to talk to someone about it, consider seeing a BC Counselor. We have referred our students to the Counseling Center for a very wide range of issues, ranging from stress and depression to relationship problems to sexual assault and other forms of abuse. BC's Counselors are sensitive, understanding, and trained. To make an appointment with a counselor, call (425) 564-2212. If you have a crisis and cannot reach the Counseling Center, call the 24 hour Crisis Clinic Hotline at (206) 461-3222 or 1-800-244-5767.

DRC (Disability Resource Center) - Although many BC students already know about the great people at the Disability Resource Center, there are some students with disabilities who haven't yet gone by the DRC for assistance. If you have any kind of disability whatsoever, we strongly encourage you to visit the DRC in D125 inside library. They are a wonderful group of folks who are dedicated to providing students with open, fair, and equitable access to education. You can also visit them online at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/drc/>

Human Development Classes and Workshops - The Counseling Center offers many classes that can have long-term impact on your life, such as "Stress Management," "Selecting a Major," "Assertive Communication," "Building Self-Esteem," and "Race in America." These classes typically range from one to

three credits, so they don't meet as often as sociology courses, nor do they cost as much money.

LGBTQ Resource Center - The LGBTQ Resource Center is a place on campus where students can feel safe to be themselves, free from harassment, prejudice, or ridicule. Hang out, meet new people, use the computers to get some work done, or check out the books on a variety of LGBTQ-related themes. For more information, stop by their office in C225 or call them at (425)564-6041.

MCS (Multicultural Student Services) - MCS specializes in assisting students of color, gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender students, and refugee and immigrant students. BC's MCS office is wonderful! MCS aims to help all students reach their academic goals, so all BC students are welcome to use MCS's services free of charge. MCS is really wonderful at helping all students feel comfortable and welcome at Bellevue College. They will help integrate you into the life of our College. MCS has been a shoulder our students have leaned upon and a network of friends to turn to. We have seen MCS help with a wide variety of personal and professional challenges, from figuring out how to pay for college and secure childcare for kids, to personal counseling and advising. MCS pretty much can do it all - and if they can't, they can DEFINITELY connect you with the right people who can! For more information, visit <http://bellevuecollege.edu/mcs/index.html>, stop by their office in B233, or call them at (425) 564-2208.

Student Programs - Meet new people! Get involved! There is a wealth of student clubs and organizations on our campus. The Muslim Student Association, the Math Club, the Black Student Union, El Centro Latino, the Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Program, the Street Dance Club, Student Government, and MANY more organizations (there are dozens!) are housed in Student Programs. We are confident that every student can find something of interest. Stop by Student Programs in room C212, or visit their site at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/stupro/>

TRiO - This department provides excellent academic support for students who have limited incomes, documented disabilities, OR who are the first in their families to attend college. Students tell us that their experiences with TRiO are amazing, and we have personally witnessed our students THRIVE (!) with TRiO's assistance and guidance. Students who join TRiO are given close and intensive academic advising, lessons in study skills, tutoring, and overall support not only as students but as human beings. For more information, visit <http://bellevuecollege.edu/trio/>, stop by their office in B233, or call them at (425) 564-5475.

Veterans Office - If you are a veteran of the United States Military, BC's Veterans Office can help you with a variety of issues, most notably financial assistance. They will guide you along the GI Bill benefits, and they can help you activate your Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits. For more information about your options, visit <http://fa.bellevuecollege.edu/veterans> to contact them, call (425) 564-2220.

Information for Students about Canvas:

<http://depts.bellevuecollege.edu/helpdesk/students/canvas/>

If you need help with your writing, please make use of the following student support services:

- Academic Success Center: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/academicsuccess/>
- Academic Tutoring Center: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/tutoring/>
- TRiO Student Support Services: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/TRiO/>
- Writing Lab @ BC: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/writinglab/>

EXPLORE THE LMC! The Library Media Center is at your fingertips! I *strongly* encourage you to visit the LMC at least once a week, but you can also access it via the web. Talk to a Reference Librarian at the Library (D-126), by calling (425) 564-6161, or by email reference@bellevuecollege.edu.

- **Main Library Media Center:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/>
- **For the LMC online catalog:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/catalogs.html>
- **For article databases:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/periodicals.html>

✓ To get announcements of campus closures:

- Receive email and text messages through the BC Alert System (sign up at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/alerts>).
- Visit www.SchoolReport.org or subscribe to their emergency email and text message service.
- Call BC's emergency information line: (425) 401-6680.
- Check the BC home page (<http://bellevuecollege.edu>) for a link to the BC emergency information website, OR access that page directly at <http://bellevuecollege.edu/publicsafety/>.