

INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHY

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Each class is 5 credits and meets daily in Room D 273.

Welcome to Geography 100. This is a five-credit course that fulfills a Social Science distribution requirement for the Associate in Arts and Sciences (AAS) Degree at Bellevue College. There are no prerequisites for this class. This is the only class that is a required class for those who wish to obtain a 'Concentration in Geography' - you need a total of 20 credits for this award.

Course Description:

The course will cover a series of major themes of geographic inquiry. The dynamic nature of the physical environment will be studied and this will provide a foundation to better understand the cultural landscapes of our world.

Specific areas of investigation will focus on: the role of maps and mapmakers; physical processes and the surface of the Earth; a review of the dynamics of weather and climate; the impact of population growth; and additional in depth case studies focusing on population and demography, population distribution and the economic resource base, migration, urbanization, globalization and sustainability as well as a review of the major features of the cultural landscape.

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.

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

B106 is down dirt/gravel path from SE corner of Room B101.

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

The Social Science Office is in D 110. Social Science Advisor Deanne Eschbach Phone is 425-564-2216. This syllabus is on Bellevue College's Canvas website.

Required Texts:

Introduction to Geography - this is only available online - please use this link to purchase - the book is essential reading for both the course materials as well as the Chapter Quizzes that will be taken using this eBook platform.

https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add_student.php?book_id=79&course_id=187

World Place Locations - this is also only available online - please use this link to purchase - this book is essential for the place locations needed for all of the map quizzes as well as for the Regional Quiz.

https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add_student.php?book_id=14&course_id=197

If you have problems please watch this short video which helps to explain how to purchase the online book

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Z-uH7oyLYo>

In the E-LocationsBook please read Chapter 1 and find the Major Features of the Planet you don't know using A-Z Maps Online, an online database found on Bellevue College's Library and Media Center's (LMC). To find A-Z Maps Online go to BC website>>Services>>Library Media Center (also, found under Library on Canvas) >> Databases(under Quick Links) >> Scroll down to A-Z Maps Online where you will also find Blank Maps that you can copy for the World Place Exercises. The blank maps correspond to the chapters in the e-book. There's also a short video about A-Z Maps Online. If you can't find a location, try an atlas in BC's library or an online resource such as www.google.com, www.ilike2learn.com, <http://sheppardsoftware.com/Geography.htm> or <http://www.purposegames.com>.

You are tested on e-book information on the 10 map quizzes throughout the quarter and on the Regional Quiz done online near the end of the quarter. Regional quiz is based on 200 e-book Regional Quiz Questions at end of e-book Chapters 2-9.

Please take Regional Quiz by Tues. Dec. 1. Quiz based on 200 e-book Regional Quiz Questions at end of Chapters 2-9. This open book and open note quiz is taken online outside class.

Course Objectives:

To consider the basic themes of geography and how they are applied to explore the relationships between physical and cultural landscapes to provide a foundation in geographic inquiry that will act as a catalyst for future study and to develop a sense of place by fostering a sense of the connectivity that exists between the physical and the cultural world.

Format

The coursework is divided into 10 Chapters each with a Chapter Quiz: 10 Map Quizzes: a Regional Quiz: and a Final Exam.

a) Course Chapters and Chapter Quizzes

Each of the chapters in the class covers one key theme of geographic inquiry and all of the material that you need is in the class ebooks, 'Introduction to Geography' and 'World Place Locations.' The 'Introduction to Geography' ebook has the 10 Chapters that we will study and the 'World Place Locations' ebook is used for the map quizzes and the Regional Quiz.

It is important to start by developing a **Study Guide** for this class - a notebook of all key ideas/answers to all questions/and any material that will help you to remember the content. You can use this Study Guide in all of the 'open book' quizzes.

Having carefully read through each chapter, made all appropriate notes in your Study Guide notebook and answered the fifteen **Review Questions** at the end of the chapter you are ready to take the **Chapter Quiz**. Each Chapter Quiz has an untimed open book/open note format with **multiple-choice** questions and is answered totally online using the eBook assessment system. Please note that we will use the eBook assessment system to complete the Chapter Quizzes (not the Canvas assessment system).

There will be 10 questions in each **Chapter Quiz** - 5 will be selected from the 15 Review Questions and there will be an additional 5 questions from material in the relevant chapter.

Again – please note that all exams are open book/open note. You can only make **ONE** attempt to answer the questions in each Chapter Quiz – remember to **'Save'** the answers before you 'Submit' the quiz.

The order of the Chapter Exams will be exactly the same as the Chapters in the eBook - you will have 10 multiple choice questions (5 selected from the Review Questions at the end of the chapter and 5 additional questions from the material in the chapter) and each Chapter Quiz is worth 30 marks (3 marks per correct answer for a grand total of 300 marks).

Class Chapter Schedule

The class material is studied in the same order as the chapters in the eBook - set out as below.

Please note the deadline dates for all of the Chapter Quizzes - the quizzes are all 'open' during the following dates and can be taken at any time in this 'open window' -

- **Maps and Mapmakers - Chapter 2 - Thursday 1st Oct. (8 am) until Sunday 4th (11 pm)**
- **Surface of the Earth - Chapter 3 - Thursday 8th Oct. (8 am) until Sunday 11th (11 pm)**
- **Weather and Climate - Chapter 4 - Thursday 15th Oct. (8 am) until Sunday 18th (11 pm)**
- **Population and Demography - Chapter 5 - Thursday 22nd Oct. (8 am) until Sunday 25th (11 pm)**
- **Population Distribution - Chapter 6 - Thursday 29th Oct. (8 am) until Sunday 1st Nov. (11 pm)**
- **Geography of Migration - Chapter 7 - Thursday 5th Nov. (8 am) until Sunday 8th (11 pm)**
- **Geography of Urbanization - Chapter 8 - Thursday 12th Nov. (8 am) until Sunday 15th (11 pm)**
- **Cultural Geography - Chapter 9 - Thursday 19th Nov. (8 am) until Sunday 22nd (11 pm)**
- **Geography of Globalization - Chapter 10 - Wednesday 25th Nov. (8 am) until Monday 30th (11 pm) - note that this is Thanksgiving Holiday and there is extra time allocated as a result.**
- **Geography of Sustainability - Chapter 11 - Thursday 3rd Dec. (8 am) until Sunday 6th (11 pm)**

b) Map Quizzes - World Place Locations

Please note - this is done using the online textbook 'World Place Locations.'

You will be required to study place locations for the eight major world regions (listed below). **There are 10 online Map Quizzes with 15 questions in each quiz (total 150 marks).**

Note that - Europe and Russia and - North America - are both divided into two quizzes each, a cultural quiz and a physical quiz. In all of the other regional map quizzes the cultural and physical locations are combined into one quiz (cultural is cities and countries and physical is seas, rivers, mountains, deserts and lakes etc.).

Preparation for the quizzes is done by completing the respective chapters in the **World Place Locations online eBook** and referencing an atlas of your choice.

For your convenience you may access the A-Z Maps website which is available to you through the College Library - this is an online atlas and we also recommend that you print off from this Library resource your own blank maps of the regions for revision purposes. We suggest that you follow the link on the website to **download the blank maps** and label all of the required locations on the blank map - this will help you to better remember the locations for the quiz.

Preparation for the quizzes is done by completing the respective sections in the World Place Locations online workbook, using the blank outline maps – for these go to the **College Library site and the blank map PDFs are all on the Periodicals page - under A-Z Maps - scroll down to see 'Blank Maps' - all the blank maps can be printed for revision purposes.**

To ensure success, read the **Instructions to the Student** for suggestions, hints, and guidelines in the **World Place Locations** online eBook.

So - you fill in the blank maps and they are then used to practice identifying the locations listed in each Chapter in the workbook (you do not hand in these maps as they are only for your practice). The Place Location quizzes are all 'open book' matching format. Carefully, follow the online instructions when taking the quizzes.

You only have **8 minutes** to answer each Map Quiz so please be sure you know the locations well before you begin.

The 10 Map Quizzes and respective Chapters in the World Place Location online eBook are listed below.

Please note - The Major Features of the Planet Map Quiz is at the start of the World Place Location eBook and this is to be used for practice only – it will not count toward your score for the class – it is only for practice to give you a good idea of what to expect in the Map Quizzes.

1. Europe and Russia Cultural – Chapter 2

2. Europe and Russia Physical - Chapter 2

3. East Asia – Chapter 3
4. South and Central Asia – Chapter 4
5. Southeast Asia and Australasia – Chapter 5
6. Northern Africa and the Middle East – Chapter 6
7. Southern Africa – Chapter 7
8. South and Central America and the Caribbean – Chapter 8
9. North America Cultural – Chapter 9
10. North America Physical - Chapter 9

Remember - Chapter 1 in your textbook considers the **Major Features of the Planet and is not assessed** and should be used as a practice map quiz before you begin the other map quizzes. However, it is advised that you plot the locations on a blank map of the world to allow you to become more familiar with the format of the workbook.

c) The Regional Quiz

This is done using the online eBook 'World Place Locations' assessment tool.

At the end of each of the eight chapters in the online textbook 'World Place Locations' you have 25 questions to answer and the 25 questions in the Regional Quiz will be chosen from these 200 questions (8 chapters with 25 questions each). You can earn a total of **50 marks** by doing the Regional Quiz. It is intended that it will be taken toward the end of the quarter when you have finished all of the map quizzes.

d) The Final Exam.

This will be worth 100 marks plus a possible 25 additional marks of extra credit. There will be 25 multiple choice questions (worth 3 marks each) all of which will be chosen from the 10 Chapter Review Questions as well as the questions asked in the Chapter Quizzes. In addition there will be a selection of 8 images and each will require a written response from you. Each image will require you to identify it and to write about the image with as much information as you can. They will each be worth 3 marks for correct identification and a maximum of an additional 4 marks for the discussion you submit.

Final Exam given in class (D273). Final exam is not comprehensive

8:30 class –Thurs. Dec. 10 (7:30am-9:00 am) in D 273

9:30 class –Tues. Dec. 8 (9:30am-11:00 pm) in D 273

Course Grading:

10 Weekly Chapter Quizzes - 30 marks each	300
10 Map Quizzes - 15 marks each	150
Regional Quiz	50
Final Exam	100
score	600
Total	600
Extra Credit	45

Please note that there are no make-ups.

Extra credit is available with 25 marks possible within the Final Exam as well as an additional 20 marks for completing a class evaluation.

Grading Scale:

A	4.0	550 and over
A-	3.7	525-549
B+	3.3	500-524
B	3.0	475-499
B-	2.7	450-474
C+	2.3	425-449
C	2.0	400-424
C-	1.7	375-399
D+	1.3	350-374
D	1.0	325-349
F	0	324 or less

Due Dates and Student Responsibility

The flu may 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. In addition, e-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.

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

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 up to 25% deducted from the score. An exam is considered a make-up if it is not taken at the regularly scheduled time. See Social Science Guidelines below.

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 don't text during class time. Electronic devices should be off or on silent during class unless you are taking notes with them.

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 and 6 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.

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION

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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](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

(As chosen by Sociology Instructors)

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:

- We all want you to have a safe quarter. You don't want to come to college if there is a dangerous chemical spill or an emergency on or near campus!! So.....

Sign up to receive email and text messages through the BC Alert System 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/>. Phone 425-564-2400.