

Geography 100 A 8:30-9:20 MWF

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Introduction to Geography

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Classroom: **D273**

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Course Description:

The first component of the course introduces the student to geography by examining the historical development of the discipline followed by a description of the nature, the structure, and the five themes of geography. The second component looks at maps and mapping techniques. The third and fourth sections investigate the earth science and culture-environment traditions. A workbook, atlas, and videos introduce regions and locations to the students.

Course Objectives:

- To define geography
- To understand the five themes of geography
- To understand the structure of geography
- To have a general knowledge of the historical development of geography
- To understand map projections and mapping techniques
- To define and understand the earth science tradition in geography
- To define and understand the culture-environment tradition in geography
- To understand the interrelationship between both traditions
- To learn how to use an atlas for the purpose of identifying regions, places, and locations

Texts:

**Introduction to Geography, 11th edition Getis Getis and Fellmann
World Place Locations with included Atlas, Roselle and Walker
Map Packet, and SCANTRON Packet**

COURSE OUTLINE

Section I Introduction

- The Nature of Geography
- Definition of Geography
- History of Geography
- Geographic concepts and themes

Readings

Chapter 1

Chapter 13, Pgs. 465-476

Section II Maps, and Mapping

- Earth dimensions
- Geographic grid
- Map projections, patterns, and quantities
- Remote sensing and GIS

Chapter 2

Appendix 1

EXAM ONE

Section III Earth Science Tradition: Geomorphology

- Time, Earth materials, Earth's interior
- Plate tectonics
- Earthquakes and volcanism
- Glaciation

Chapter 3

EXAM TWO

Section IV Earth Science Tradition: Weather and Climate

- Weather and climate defined
- Weather characteristics
- World climates and climographs
- World climate change and human response

Chapter 4

EXAM THREE

Section V The Geography of Natural Resources

- Nonrenewable resources
- Renewable resources
- The future of global resource use and sustainability

Chapter 5

EXAM FOUR

Section VI Culture-Environment Tradition

- Population geography
- Generalities
- Global population patterns
- Population parameters
- Populations in transition
- Future predictions

Chapter 6

Population Appendix 2

FINAL

Course requirements and policies:

A minimum of **60%** is required to pass. Four exams and a Final are scheduled. The three highest exam scores are counted. The lowest exam score is eliminated. Each exam and Final has a value of **20%**.

3 Exams @	20% each	=	60%
Final @	20%	=	20%
Quizzes	20%	=	<u>20%</u>
100%			

WPL Exercises: **EXTRA CREDIT** 3 points will be added to your final quarter grade. You must complete all the exercises and they must be handed in no later than **9:30 March 19**.

The Final is not comprehensive. **EVERYONE MUST TAKE FINAL**. The Final cannot be dropped. **FINALS ARE NOT GIVEN EARLY!**

The Final is on **Wednesday, March 24 at 9:30** in D273.

NO EXAM or QUIZ MAKE UPS.

Last day to withdraw: **5:00 PM, February 26 (in Person) or 12:00 noon, Feb. 28 (ONLINE)**. A **"W"** will be posted on transcript. Failure to withdraw by the above deadline will result in an **"F"** posted on transcript.

The use of Palm Pilots, Cell Phones, Electronic Dictionaries, and Laptops are prohibited during all assessments.

Make sure cell phones are turned off before coming into the classroom.

GRADE TABLE

A	4.0	93-100	C+	2.3	77-79	F	0.0	<60
A-	3.7	90-92	C	2.0	73-76			
B+	3.3	87-89	C-	1.7	70-72			
B	3.0	83-86	D+	1.3	67-69			
B-	2.7	80-82	D	1.0	60-66			

General Education Requirements:

This course satisfies General Education Requirements in the following areas:

<u>Cultural Traditions</u>	<u>Science and Environment</u>
Historical & Intellectual Perspectives	Cultural Diversity Science and the Natural World
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PLACE LOCATION QUIZ SECTION

1.	Unit 1	Major Features of the Planet	Jan. 11
2.	Unit 6	Northern Africa and the Middle East	Jan. 15
3.	Unit 7	Southern Africa	Jan. 21
4.	Unit 2a	Europe and Russia Cultural	
5.	Unit 2b	Europe and Russia Physical	
6.	Unit 3	East Asia	
7.	Unit 4	South and Central Asia	
8.	Unit 5	Southeast Asia and Australasia	
9.	Unit 8	South and Central America	
10.	<i>Unit 9a</i>	<i>North America Cultural (cannot be dropped)</i>	
11.	<i>Unit 9b</i>	<i>North America Physical (cannot be dropped)</i>	

With the exception of the two *North American* quizzes, the lowest score will be dropped.

There is no comprehensive final quiz.

Each quiz is worth **25** points. Total points counted **250**.

How to calculate your end of quarter quiz grade.

Drop your lowest score and add up all your points. Let's say you received a total of **215**. Then take your accumulated **215** points and divide by the total points counted **250**. The last step, you multiply by **100** to convert to a percentage.

EXAMPLE: $215/250 = 0.86 \times 100 = 86\%$.

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION Winter 2010

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.

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 B132 (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 secretaries 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.

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**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.*