

GEOG 250 Geography of the Pacific Northwest
(5 credits)

Spring Quarter, 2008
Office Hours: 8:30-9:30
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Course Description and Objectives:

Geography 250 is a survey course of Pacific Northwest geography, as defined by the states of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. The course examines both the relationship between the PNW's changing physical and the cultural landscapes, and how the region is interconnected to the larger Earth system. The course is centered around the Columbia River to introduce major geographic themes that have influenced and shaped the Pacific Northwest. Another component includes: understanding and learning significant places and locations throughout the region.

Texts:

Atlas of the Pacific Northwest (9th ed.). 2003. Jackson and Kimmerling
Northwest Passage The Great Columbia River 2003. Dietrich

Course requirements and policies:

A minimum of 60% is required to pass. Five exams and a Final are scheduled. The four best exam scores are counted. The lowest exam score is eliminated. The Final is not comprehensive and cannot be dropped. The Final is on **Friday June, 13 at 9:30** in D273. **Finals are not given early. No exceptions!**

4 Exams @	15% each	=	60%
Final @	20%	=	20%
Place Location Quiz section		=	20%
			100%

NO EXAM MAKE UPS. NO EXTRA CREDIT.

Last day to withdraw: **12:00 Noon, May 18 (Online)**. A "W" will be posted on transcript. Failure to withdraw by the above deadline will result in an "F" posted on transcript.

GRADE TABLE

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

COURSE OUTLINE

- Section I. Introduction to the Geography of the Pacific Northwest**
Basic geographic concepts, tools, methods, and maps. Defining site, situation and the Pacific Northwest as a region.
- Read: *APN* The Region
NWP Introduction, Chapter 1: The Picnic in the Coulee
Chapter 4: Beginning and End

EXAM ONE

- Section II. Physical Geography - Tectonic History of the Pacific Northwest**
The geologic history, and geomorphic setting of the PNW.
- Read: *APN* Landforms and Geology
APN Ocean Resources pp. 115-116

EXAM TWO

Section III. Physical Geography Part 1 Fire - Volcanism

Lassen Peak Mt. St. Helens Yellowstone Caldera Snake River Plain
Crater Lake Mt. Rainier Yakima Flood Basalts Newberry Volcano

EXAM THREE

Section IV. Physical Geography Part 2 Ice - The Bretz Floods

Glacial and fluvial landforms of Washington, Oregon and Idaho

Read: *NWP* Chapter 5: **The Sculpted River**
Chapter 8: **The River That Was**

EXAM FOUR

Section V. Physical Geography Part 3 Weather, Climate and Vegetation

Regional patterns of temperature, precipitation, wind, and vegetation.

Read: *APN* **Climate and Vegetation**
NWP Chapter 10: **Inland Empire**
Chapter 14: **The Salmon Gauntlet**

EXAM FIVE

Section VI. Cultural -Historical Geography:

Cultural and settlement patterns of the indigenous people of the Pacific Northwest. Early European exploration and rivalry. The fur trade, Lewis and Clark. Territory to Statehood. Early economic activity and population patterns.

Read: *APN* **Cultural-Historical Geography and Population**
NWP Chapters: 2,3,6,7,11,12, **Epilogue**

FINAL

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
2	2	2

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION

Cheating, Stealing and Plagiarism*

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 Community 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 Community 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 BCC 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, B225). 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 Support Services (DSS) office located in B132 (telephone 425.564.2498 or TTY 425.564.4110), to establish their eligibility for accommodation. The DSS office will provide each eligible student with an accommodation letter. Students who require accommodation in class should review the DSS 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 Support Services, 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 BCC 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. Undelivered 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 Community College Student Discipline and Appeals Procedure (the right to due process) which you may pursue. Contact the office of Division Chair (A251), the Dean of Student Services (B231A) or the Associated Student Body (C212) for information regarding the appeals process.*
