

**Please read this syllabus at least two times.**

## **Bellevue College**

**Spring 2017 -- April 3 – June 16**

Geography 100 – 5150 A or 5151 B – Introduction to Geography • 5 Credits

Meets Daily @ 8:30am-9:20am in D273 or daily @ 11:30AM-12:20AM in room D274C

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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: Wed. and Thurs. 12:30pm-2 pm and by appointment.**

Social Science Office - D 110

Social Science Advisors are also in D110. They are very helpful.

**Two Required eBooks:** (1) Introduction to Geography etextbook is only available online - please use the link below to purchase - It is essential reading for the course materials as well as the Chapter Quizzes.

[https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add\\_student.php?book\\_id=79&course\\_id=274](https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add_student.php?book_id=79&course_id=274)

(2) World Place Locations (the elocations book) is also only available online - please use the link below to purchase - this book is essential for the place location map quizzes as well as for the Regional Quiz.

[https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add\\_student.php?book\\_id=14&course\\_id=275](https://www.itsmorethanatextbook.com/admin/add_student.php?book_id=14&course_id=275)

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>

(3) You will need to buy **scantrons** for the Midterm and the Final exam at the bookstore.

Course Description: We live in a global village: people are ‘closer’ than they have ever been. This geography class focuses on geographic themes 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.

Geography is often about making connections between cultures and people. An important way to make connections in this class involves working with students from other countries and reading world news articles online. Bloomberg.com, AFP, AP, latimes.com, news.google.com and seattletimes.com are good online world news sources. **I will put a few articles on Canvas under Announcements this quarter. Also, we will discuss relevant information in class that may not show up on Canvas or the etextbook.**

As we listen to and learn from each other, our communication skills will be sharpened and our geographic knowledge enriched. For most, working **in small groups inside and**

outside class and having a “study buddy” will help. Both might increase your grade if you missed something.

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.

Please check Canvas Announcements regularly for general reminders.

### Format:

So, where is everything????????....

- a) 10 weekly eBook Chapter Quizzes found in the etextbook
- b) 10 Map Quizzes and Practice Map Quiz found on BC's Canvas under Quizzes
- c) A Regional Quiz found in the elocations book
- d) A Midterm and a Final Exam....both taken in class.

***It is important to develop a Personal 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 the 21 'open book' quizzes.....it will also help you prepared for the Midterm and Final.***

- a) Course Chapters and Chapter Quizzes in eBook

Each of the chapters in the class covers one key theme (Ex. Chapter 8 – Cultural Geography) of geographic inquiry and most\* of the material that you need for Chapter Quizzes is in the eBook, 'Introduction to Geography.' The 'Introduction to Geography' eBook has 10 Chapters.

\*A few articles will be on Canvas under Announcements. Questions on these articles will only show up on the in-class Midterm and the in-class Final. Also, information given in class can show up on the midterm and the final. Please come to class ready to learn and have a study buddy so you do well this quarter.

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

There will be 9 or 10 questions in each eBook Chapter Quiz – 4 or 5 will be selected from the 15 Review Questions and there will be an additional 4 or 5 questions from material in the relevant chapter.

Though you have several days to complete Chapter Quizzes, you can only make ONE attempt to answer the questions in each Chapter Quiz – remember to check view all

unanswered button. Then push 'Submit' before the time expires. Remember/Know the deadline(s)!!

The order of the Chapter Exams will be the same as the Chapters in the eBook - you will have 10 multiple choice questions and each Chapter Quiz is worth 9 or 10 points (1 point per correct answer for a grand total of 94 points).

The eBook chapters:

Chapter 1: Physical Geography: The Surface of the Earth  
Chapter 2: Physical Geography: Weather and Climate  
Chapter 3: Maps and Mapmakers  
Chapter 4: Population and Demography  
Chapter 5: Population Distribution and the Economic Resource Base  
Chapter 6: Geography of Migration  
Chapter 7: Geography of Urbanization  
Chapter 8: Cultural Geography  
Chapter 9: Geography of Globalization  
Chapter 10: Geography of Sustainability

b) Map Quizzes - World Place Locations/elocations book:

The 'World Place Locations' (the elocations book) is used for the 10 map quizzes and the Regional Quiz. Each map quiz is timed (10 minutes). The map quizzes are done using the online elocations book 'World Place Locations.' Though it is not part of Bellevue College, many students use [www.ilike2learn.com](http://www.ilike2learn.com) to prepare for the map quizzes.

You will be required to study place locations for the eight major world regions (listed below). There are 10 online Map Quizzes with 20 questions in each quiz (total 200 points).

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

Preparation for the map quizzes is done by completing the respective chapters, *and the questions at the end of each chapter*, in the World Place Locations online elocations book and referencing an atlas/online source of your choice including Google. Give [www.ilike2learn.com](http://www.ilike2learn.com) a try. Many students have used this in the past and liked it.

For your convenience, you may access the A-Z Maps website which is available to you through the Bellevue College Library (*On BC's website find----*Services > Library Media Center > Database (under Quick Links) > A-Z Maps Online/Blank Maps/Tutorial Video)  
- 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 study purposes. We suggest that you follow the link on the website to download the blank maps and label all the required locations on the blank map - this will help you to better remember the locations for the map quiz.

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

So - you fill in the blank maps and they are then used to practice identifying the locations listed in each Chapter in the elocations book (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.

Also, answer all the end of chapter questions, as five of them are part of the map quiz.

You only have 10 minutes to find the 20 places on each Map Quiz so please be sure you know the locations and the end of chapter questions well before you begin.

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

Please note - The Major Features of the Planet Map Quiz is at the start of the elocations book 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 – in Chapter 2
2. Europe and Russia Physical - in 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 –in Chapter 9
10. North America Physical – in Chapter 9

Remember - Chapter 1 in your elocations 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 is done using the online elocations book 'World Place Locations' assessment tool.

At the end of each of the eight chapters in the online textbook 'World Place Locations' you have between 20 and 25 questions to answer. Questions in the Regional Quiz will be

chosen from these 200 questions (8 chapters x 25 questions each). You can earn a total of 44 points by doing the Regional Quiz. It is intended that it will be taken toward the end of the quarter when you have finished all the map quizzes.

d) The Midterm...100 points. Format is much like the final (Multiple choice, matching, true/false, short answers based on images) but not as long. Midterm will include some extra credit. Make sure you come to class so you do well on the two big tests. Also, you can bring some notes to the midterm and the final.... more on this later.

e) The Final Exam....125 points.

The final will be worth 125 points plus at least 25 points of 'extra credit.' There will be at least 25 multiple choice questions most of which will be chosen from the 10 Chapter Review Questions and the questions asked in the Chapter Quizzes. A minority of the multiple-choice questions on the midterm and the final will come from the articles under Announcements on Canvas or from information given in class. In addition, there will be a selection of 8 to 12 images from the etextbook and/or the in-class PowerPoints 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. The images will each be worth some points for correct identification and more points for the discussion you submit.

Course Grading:

10 Weekly Chapter Quizzes - 10 points each .....	94 points
10 Map Quizzes - 20 points each.....	200 points
Regional Quiz.....	44 points
Attendance.....	27 points
Evaluation.....	10 points
Midterm.....	100 points**
Final Exam .....	125 points**
Total score .....	600 points**

\*\*Make-ups available only for Midterm exam and Final exam. Twenty-five (25) points off for make-up exams. I may take off less than 25 points if you contact me before the midterm or final.

**Grading Scale:**

A.....550 and over

A-.....525-549

B+.....500-524

B.....475-499

B-.....450-474

C+.....425-449

C.....400-424

C-.....375-399

D+.....350-374

D.....325-349

F.....324 and less

IMPORTANT: The student is responsible for:

1. The technical aspects of your computer/email/printer etc. Please refer to the BC Distance Education website for the Canvas Tutorial and for minimum hardware requirements. Call BC's HELP desk, 425-564-HELP (4357), for Tech Issues or Questions. Use Mozilla/Firefox or Chrome not Internet Explorer for Canvas.
2. Reading the specified materials.
3. Contacting me/fellow students can be helpful.
4. Keeping comprehensive notes/diagrams/maps relevant to course topics.
5. Timely completions of place location and module exams. You should not leave exams to the last minute in case you have a technical problem.
6. Reviewing the Bellevue College academic calendar for all details regarding registration and withdrawal policy and procedures and distribution of final grades.
7. Reading the Social Science Division's policy statement.
8. If special needs are necessary contacting BC's Disability Resources Center at (425) 564-2498 in room B132.

### **Due Dates and Student Responsibility**

**Extra-credit will be given on the Midterm and the Final, but you must earn it. Also, I may give some information that is not in the textbook that could show up on the midterm or final.**

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 quizzes, and demonstrate a mastery of geographic concepts through performance on exams. In addition, check files/announcements under BC's Canvas regularly, take notes in class and read the two eBooks and articles/information put on Canvas under Announcements.

It is each student's responsibility to get any notes, or important information for any class time missed. Sign up for **Canvas Notifications** in Building N to help your grade and stay organized.

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

Make-up midterms and final 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 pages 8-9.

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 8-9 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](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 if 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 B 132 (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 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 B 132. They are a wonderful group of folks who provide 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 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](mailto: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](http://www.SchoolReport.org) or subscribe to their emergency email and text message service.
- Call BC's emergency information line: (425) 401-6680 or call 425-564-2400 for the public safety office. In an emergency call 911.
- 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/>.