

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE AT MANCHESTER

GEOG 402 Spring 2025

World Regions II: Africa and Asia
Mondays, 11:10 AM – 1:45 PM
Classroom: Pandora 302

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OBJECTIVES:

Perhaps the most visible feature of today's world is its rapidly changing nature. Change is occurring daily in political relationships, geographical orientation, social evolution, and economic re-orientations. Understanding the dynamics of this process is paramount to making sense of the day in which we live and the future that we hope to embrace. Further, understanding this new phenomenon is nothing less than an intellectual and moral responsibility. The basic objective of this course is to examine some of these concepts from a spatial, geographic perspective so that we might more readily understand those events that shape our world. These concepts and changes will be viewed as they relate to the continents of Africa and Asia as well as the people that populate these continents.

TEXTS

Required 1. Les Rowntree, Martin Lewis, Marie Price, and William Wyckoff.
Diversity Amid Globalization (7th Ed.), ISBN: 978-0-321-71448-0,
ISBN 13: 978-0-134-53942-3

***Note:** You will be held responsible for all readings, i.e. they will be included on tests.*

SCHEDULE

Date	#	Topic	Reading
1/27 Class will meet on this day	1	The World in Spatial Terms Geography as Part of Social Science	Text pp. 4-13, 36-45
2/3 Class will not meet on this day	2	Maps / Map Projections The Atlas / Climate	Text pp. 15-27 Essential Question #1 Due
2/10 Class will meet on this day	3	Geographic Coordinates The Middle East/Western Asia Central & Western Asia Location Quiz	Text pp. 54-67, 279-290
2/17 Class will meet on this day	4	Central/Western Asia	Text pp. 291-309
02/24	5	Afghanistan	

Class will not meet on this day		The Land of the Taliban	Text pp. 404-415, 421-423 Essential Question #2 Due
3/3 Class will meet on this day	6	Exam #1 – Bring a #2 pencil *Saharan and Sub-Saharan Africa	Review Lessons 1-5 Text pp. 266-279
3/10 Class will meet on this day	7	Discussion of exam #1 Saharan and Sub-Saharan Africa Northern Africa Location Quiz	Text pp. 212-232
03/17/25		Spring Recess – No Classes	
3/24 Class will meet on this day	8	Central & Southern Africa	Text pp. 233-248
3/31 Class will meet on this day	9	African Have-nots Central and Southern Africa Location Quiz	Text pp. 248-265
4/7 Class will meet on this day	10	Exam #2 - Bring a #2 pencil **Asian Overview	Review Lessons 6-9 Text pp. 490-502
04/14 Class will meet on this day	11	Discussion of Exam #2 Southern Asia, China	Text pp. 503-537, 440-448
4/21 Class will meet on this day	12	China Japan: A Land of Fragile Power	Text pp. 448-477
4/28 Class will meet on this day	13	East Asia Asia Location Quiz	Text pp. 477-489, 438-564
05/5 Class will not meet on this day	14	Southeastern Asia Oceania	Text pp. 565-585, 591-592, 597-601, Map p. 611 Essential Question #3 is due
05/12 Class will meet on this day	15	Exam #3 – Bring a #2 Pencil	Review Lessons 10-1

- * This material will be included in exam #2, not exam #1
- ** This material will be included in exam #3, not exam #2

On days when the class does not meet there will be required activities. Materials will be disseminated on the class meeting prior, including an Essential Question. The response to the Essential question will be electronically received by me no later than 11:15 AM. Essential Questions submissions/responses must be sent from your UNHM account to my UNHM account. Any student using AI to complete any of the Essential Questions shall receive a “0” for the assignment and may be subject to further disciplinary action.

Notes:

Exam and quiz make-ups will be given only with valid documentation and must be approved by me prior to missing the exam. Leaving a message for me on my cell phone or leaving me an email does not in any way constitute approval. If you do not hear me say “you may take the test/quiz at another time” you are expected to be in class on the day that the exam/quiz is scheduled. Failure to successfully make contact with your instructor in no way abrogates you from this responsibility. Please do not place yourself in a difficult position by failing to follow this directive. This policy does not in any way conflict with Student Rights, Rules, and Responsibilities 04.13 Excused Absences.

Any student that is allowed to make up an exam will receive a make up exam that is entirely different in structure and format from the exam given on the scheduled exam day.

You are required to bring a #2 pencil to all exams and quizzes.

Approximate Grading:

Essential Questions (3)	= 18%
Quizzes (4)	= 24%
Exam #1	= 19%
Exam #2	= 19%
Exam #3	= 20%

- Cell phone usage and/or text messaging can be a great distraction for students and have a negative impact upon their grades. Therefore, all cell phones must be turned off prior to the start of class. Failure to do this may adversely impact your grade.
- Students may not use/access any electronic device during exams and quizzes. Once an exam or quiz has begun, students may not leave the room prior to returning their exam/quiz to me.
- Restroom usage during exams and quizzes is not appropriate.
- **One Final Note:** It is in your own best interests to stay abreast of all assigned readings, etc. However, should you experience any genuine difficulties in this course, please contact me during my office hours. Too many students keep their academic problems a secret, thereby

allowing small problems to grow into large problems. Communication with your professor is an essential step in rectifying academic problems.

Should you find any of these conditions objectionable, it is your responsibility to drop this course and select an alternate course. Failure to do this shall constitute acceptance of the terms stated herein.