

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE
BUSINESS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION
GENERAL COURSE OUTLINE

GEG	100	Cultural Geography	(3-0)	3
Course Prefix	Course Number	Course Title	(Lec-Lab)	Semester Hours

Course Description

Surveys the contemporary topics of human geography; population, migration, language, religion, ethnicity, and political, economic and urban geography. Teaches the methods and tools geographers use in their science and practice.

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Topical Outline

1. Geography Matters
2. The Changing Global Context
3. Geographies of Population
4. People and Nature
5. Cultural Geographies
6. Language, Communication, and Belief
7. Interpreting Places and Landscapes
8. Geography of Economic Development
9. Geographies of Food and Agriculture
10. Political Geography
11. Urbanization and The Global Urban System
12. City Spaces: Urban Structure

Method of Presentation

1. Lecture
2. Other:
 - a. Audio-Visual Presentations
 - b. Maps
 - c. Discussions

Student Outcomes (The student should)

1. define the term "geography".
2. locate and name the countries of the world (except small island states and microstates).
3. recognize different map projections, types, and scales: and understand their uses and problems.
4. use the basic human geography tools (maps, regions, models) and vocabulary.

5. define culture and analyze its diffusion on the surface of the earth.
6. recognize patterns of population distribution.
7. recognize patterns and causes of migration.
8. understand the classification and distribution of the world's languages.
9. understand the classification and distribution of the world's religions.
10. define ethnicity and understand the role of ethnicity in cultural conflicts.
11. understand the spatial distribution of levels of economic development and the measures used to define them.
12. classify economic activities.
13. understand the classification and distribution of the world's agricultural regions.
14. recognize the role of locational decisions in the distribution of manufacturing activities.
15. explain the distribution of central places.
16. contrast the concepts of "states, "nation", "nation-state", and "multi-national state".
17. understand the issues connected with defining and defending state boundaries.
18. understand urban structure models and their uses.

Methods of Evaluation

Grades are based on demonstrated proficiency in subject matter. Proficiency is determined from:

1. Final exam
2. Quizzes and multiple choice and/or essay exams
3. Map quizzes
4. Written reports/problem sets/assignments

Textbook & Instructional Materials

Required

Knox. Human Geography. 7th Edition. Pearson, 2016 ISBN: 9780321984241

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