

COURSE: GEO106-Human Geography
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COURSE OBJECTIVES: To discuss and demonstrate knowledge of various geographic topics, especially the relationship between people and place; and to increase the understanding of the earth's cultural environment so students can see how geography is relevant to their everyday life. Social issues from a global perspective will be used as examples of applied cultural geography.

TEXT: HUMAN GEOGRAPHY by deBlij, Murphy, and Fouberg, John Wiley, 8th edition.

GRADING: Evaluation consists of the following: (approximate)

Exam 1	23%
Exam 2	20%
Final Exam	20%
Applied Research Project:	23%
Misc. Commitment to Class: (Assignments, Attendance, Participation)	15%

This course meets specific competency requirements for critical thinking and writing outcomes.

POLICIES:

- 1) Exams are non-comprehensive and include short essay, multiple choice, or matching questions. They cover class discussions and your text readings. There are no make-up exams except for special circumstances which must be arranged with me before the scheduled exam day. An absence or emergency on exam day requires a phone call/message.
- 2) The grade you receive is based on the total points you earn during the term, according to the following straight scale: 90%=A, 80%=B, 70%=C, etc.
- 3) Regular attendance is absolutely necessary to succeed in this course. In addition to the course outline, the assignments and exams will be announced and discussed in class.
- 4) After the 75% point (week 12), students can't withdraw from a course. The grade earned will be assigned or an "Incomplete" agreement for special circumstances can be discussed with the professor.
- 5) If you have any special needs or disabilities, please notify me.

COURSE OUTLINE

Week	Topic	Text Chapter
1	Introduction; Basic Concepts	1
2	Population and Migration	2,3
3	Population Con't.	
4 & 5	Culture (Language, Religion, Ethnicity)	6,7
	CHOOSE RESEARCH PROJECT-TOPIC DUE	
6	EXAM 1	
	Social Customs-Folk & Popular Culture	4
7	Political; Economic Development	8,10
8 & 9	Economic-Agriculture & Industry	11,12
	EXAM 2	
10	Services; Industrial/Business Location	12
11	Location Case Studies	
12	Urban Patterns	9
13	Urban Con't.; Applied Technology	
14	RESEARCH PROJECTS DUE-PRESENTATIONS	
15	RESEARCH PROJECTS CON'T.; CONCLUSIONS	
	FINAL EXAM	