

## GEO 115: World Regional Geography

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**Course Goal:** To acquaint students with the spatial patterns of human-environment interaction over the surface of the earth and the natural, cultural, economic, and political factors which cause them. The course will use the **five concepts of geography (location, place, relationships within places, movement, and regions)** to explain these patterns and factors.

**Required Materials:** Rowntree, L. et al., *Globalization and Diversity: Geography of a Changing World*; Handouts including a list of countries.

<b>Week</b>	<b>Tentative Topic</b>	<b>Readings</b>
Jan. 10-12	Introduction, Landforms	1, 2
17-19	Climate, Europe	8
24-26	Europe	
Feb. 31-2	Russia and Central Asia	9, 10
7-9	SW Asia & N Africa, <b>Test One</b>	7
14-16	SW Asia & N Africa	
21-23	South Asia	12
Mar. 28-2	<b>Mardi Gras</b> , South Asia	
7-9	East Asia	11
14-16	<b>Spring Break</b>	
21-23	East Asia, <b>Test Two</b>	
28-30	Southeast Asia	13
Apr. 4-6	Southeast Asia, Instructor out of town	
11-13	Africa	6
18-20	Africa, Latin America	4, 5
25-27	Latin America	
May 2	<b>Test Three (Final)</b> (10:30am-12:30pm)	

**Grade:** There will be three exams, each worth 100 points. Each exam will include questions from the lectures, readings, any visual materials or films presented, plus a list of world countries that you will need to know for every exam. The total possible points, therefore, is 300. Grades will be as follows: 270-300=A, 240-269=B, 210-239=C, 180-219=D, 179 and lower =F. There will be no extra credit assignments.

**Makeup Exam:** The only time for a makeup exam is Monday, April 3 at 2:00pm in room LSCB 136.

**Attendance:** It is your business to attend class. As last semester's class learned, missing many lectures destroys your grade. Try to come to class on time and prepared for the lecture period of one hour, 15 minutes. It is very disturbing to have students coming and going in the middle of a presentation.

**Note:** In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, students with bona fide disabilities will be afforded reasonable accommodation. The Office of Special Student Services will certify a disability and advise faculty members of reasonable accommodations. If you have a specific disability that qualifies you for academic accommodations, please notify me, the professor, and provide certification from Disability Services (Office of Special Student Services), which is located in the Student Center, Room 270. The phone number is (251) 460-7212.

**Further Note:** This syllabus is a tentative one. I may make changes with two days notice to the students.