

Geo 132.50.FL2017 World Regional Geography (3 credits)

Course Syllabus, Fall 2017

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Course Description:

This class discusses regions of the world from a human perspective. This includes population, culture, commerce, agriculture, language, and transportation. There is an emphasis on class participation and discussion. Different teaching methods will be used to help all learning styles. This is an important class on basic geographic concepts and should transfer well as a social studies class to most schools.

Prerequisites: ENG 085* and ENG 090*

Textbook:

Globalization and Diversity: Geography of a Changing World (5th Edition Rowndtree)

Learning Objectives: This class should teach students to better understand the regions of the world, the people who live there and how they interact and shape the physical world around them. Students after completing this course should understand settlement patterns, environmental issues, global trade, how technology and GIS play a role in our lives, and what the future will be like for people on earth.

Success in this class will require regular attendance, asking questions, taking notes, reading the assigned material, and understanding definitions and terminology from the text book.

Course Grading System:

There will be four exams, each will cover numerous chapters in the book. They will be made up of multiple choice questions, fill in the blank, and short answer questions. There will be occasional assignments to compliment the text or on current events related to class material. Class participation, discussion, and attendance will also be counted. Students will be asked review questions about topics already discussed in class and assigned in the book. Your performance on these in class questions will be graded.

Unit Exams: 2 total, 15 percent each 30% of the grade

Chapter Review Questions: Online multiple choice questions on each chapter graded equally 30% of grade

Assignments: All assignments weighted equally 25% of the grade

Forums, Class Participation Participation in online discussion forums, turning assignments in on time 15% of grade

Class Lecture Topics:

September 25th to October 30th Chapters 1-7 (excluding chapter 5)

November 6th Test chapters 1-7 (excluding chapter 5)

November 13th to December 11th

Chapters 8-13 (excluding chapter 10)

December 18th

Test on chapters 8-13 (excluding chapter 10)

Jackson Community College Grading Scale:

Grade	Percent
4.0	93% -100%
3.5	88% - 92%
3.0	83% - 87%
2.5	78% - 82%
2.0	73% - 77%
1.5	68% - 72%
1.0	63% - 67%
.5	58% - 62%

Academic Dishonesty: Cheating will not be tolerated. Students caught cheating on a test or an assignment will receive no credit for that test or assignment. If it happens a second time you will be dropped from the course.

Please contact me with any questions at renandowaded@jccmi.edu