

GEO132.150.SP 2018 World Regions (3 credits)

Course Syllabus, Spring 2018 (online class)

Dates: 6-25-18 to 8-15-18

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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 three 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 weekly 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.

Exams:	2 total, 15 percent each	30% of the grade
Chapter Quizzes:	Online multiple-choice questions on each chapter graded equally	30% of grade
Assignments:	All assignments weighted equally	30% of the grade
Forums, Class Participation	Participation in JNET discussion forums, turning assignments in on time	10% of the grade

Class Lecture Topics:

June 25th to July 12th Chapters 1-7

July 16 th	Midterm exam on chapters 1-7. You will take the exam online. You will be given a window of several days to complete the test.
July 23rd to August 6th	Chapters 8-13
August 12th	Final exam on chapters 8-13. You will take the exam online. You will be given a window of several days to complete the test.

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%

Late assignments and quizzes will be reduced 10%. If you fall more than three chapters behind in the class you will be dropped from the course.

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