

Globalization and Diversity: Geography of a Changing World

Geo 132.50.FL2018

Fall 2018 Course Syllabus

3 Credits

Meeting Time: online

Location: online

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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)

Course Goals and 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 Procedure: There will be two 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 go along with the textbook or online reading material. Weekly assignments will be emailed to me. There will also be weekly chapter quizzes that will consist of 20 multiple choice questions related to that week's chapter. Chapter quizzes will be done through JNET. You will be given five chances to take the test. Only the highest score will be graded.

Unit 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
Discussion Forums	Participation in online discussion forums	10% of grade

Grading Scale:

Grade	Percent
4.0	94% -100%
3.5	89% - 93%
3.0	84% - 88%
2.5	78% - 83%
2.0	72% - 77%
1.5	66% - 71%
1.0	60% - 65%
.5	55% - 59%
0	0% - 54%

Failure: Any student who falls more than three weeks (chapters) behind in the class will be dropped.

Academic Honesty Policy: 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.

Calendar:

September 24th to October 29th	Chapters 1-7 (excluding chapter 5)
November 1st to 4th	Test chapters 1-7 (excluding chapter 5)
November 5th to December 13th	Chapters 8-13
December 14th to 19th	Test on chapters 8-13

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