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DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY
GEOG 101 - People and Their Environment

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TEXT: Introduction to Geography (10th ed.), by Getis, Getis and Fellmann; WCB/McGraw-Hill, Dubuque, Iowa (2006)

ATLAS: Goode's World Atlas (21st ed.); Rand McNally Book Co., Chicago (2005).
(The atlas is the basis of extra credit take home exercises, classroom discussion, exam map place names, and is a supplement for textbook chapters.)

1. Responsibility. You are responsible for the content of all lectures, assigned material and handouts. The textbook has a glossary of important terms and concepts.

2. Grading:

Exam 1	= 30% of your grade
Exam 2	= 30% of your grade
Exam 3 (final)	= 30% of your grade
Chapter essays	= 10% of your grade (see No. 3 below)

*Notice of exam dates will be given at least a week in advance. Each exam will focus on the lecture topics covered in that section; exams are **not** cumulative. Dictionaries and electronic translators may **not** be used.

*All exams must be taken. If you miss an exam, an essay-style make-up exam will replace it. If an exam is not taken by Dec. 22, 2006, an INC (incomplete) for the course will be given. However, a student with a D or F term average will receive an "F" for the course if the final exam is missed.

*No re-take exams. You have one chance to do well on each exam.

*Neatness counts. On exams, if I can't read it, it is wrong. For the essays, presentation matters.

*Cheating on exams and plagiarism on essays are grounds for failure and disciplinary measures by the College. The Internet is a resource, NOT a source of verbatim information. Every person has a unique writing style and use of grammar. DO NOT CUT and PASTE text found at an Internet web site or in a CD into your work. The use of cell phones, video phones, text messaging devices and/or similar information spreading devices during an exam is a form of cheating and will be dealt with accordingly by the Office of the Dean of Students.

*Graduating seniors (Group 8) with an A average will be exempted from the final exam (#3) providing all other work is handed in, including Atlas Exercise III, and proof of graduating senior status is supplied.

*The college rules concerning the CR/NC option are strictly followed. **You must complete all required course work, including the final exam, to qualify.**

3. Chapter Essays. In each third of the semester prior to the exam, you will submit **TWO** analytical essays from the **Geography and Public Policy (GPP)** box found within the textbook chapters assigned for that section of the course, except for chapters 1, 4 and 13; for example, the GPP box for chapter 2 is located on page 46, the GPP for chapter 3 is on page 82. Only one "Question to Consider" need be selected from each GPP box. **For Chapter 1** you will discuss the contribution of a noted geographer or explorer to the field of geography or to our knowledge of the world. **For Chapter 13** you will discuss the neighborhood in which you live as a "region" using the definition discussed in Chapter 13. **For Chapter 4** you will discuss the interrelationship between the temperature of the oceans and global climate. Every essay must have a title and the first sentence must state the book edition, chapter number, and the question number being discussed. It is not necessary to repeat the question but its essence should be reflected in the first paragraph. Each essay must be typed and have a minimum length of one full page not counting the restated question (1.5 line spacing with 1" margins). Maximum length is two pages. Short and long essays will be returned ungraded, as will handwritten essays.

4. Extra Credit. *There are two ways to earn extra credit. You may attempt both.*

a) **Atlas exercises.** In each section of the course, prior to the exam, there will be a set of atlas exercises for extra credit. Points will be added to the exam grade at the end of the section according to the following formula:

100-90% correct	= 5 extra credit points
89-80% correct	= 4 extra credit points
79-70% correct	= 3 extra credit points
69-60% correct	= 2 extra credit points
59-50% correct	= 1 extra credit point
49- 0% correct or not submitted	= 0 extra credit points

b) **Geographic Essays.** You have the option to submit for extra credit a **maximum of six additional** analytical essays from the **Geography and Public Policy (GPP)** box found within the textbook chapters. Only one "Question to Consider" may be selected from each GPP box and, of course, different from one selected for the required chapter essay. As above, each essay must be typed and have a minimum length of one full page (1.5 line spacing with 1" margins). Maximum length is two pages. At the end of the semester, each essay deemed "Good for Extra Credit" will earn you one half percentage point over and above your final term average of test scores with a *maximum of 3 percentage points added to your final term average*. For example, if you hand in four acceptable essays, you will increase your final average by 2 points. Extra credit essays may be handed in at any time up to December 12, 2006, the last class lecture. **No extra credit essays will be accepted after December 12.**

LECTURE TOPIC

I. Introduction: What is Geography?

II. Geographers' Tools

READING ASSIGNMENTS

I. Text: Chapters 1, 13 and the introductory pages to Parts I (p.53), II (p. 177), III (p. 339) and IV (p. 467) of the textbook entitled "The ... Tradition".

II. Text: Chapter 2; Appendix 1 (p. 489-95). Atlas: vi-xii, 1, 60, 226. (Atlas tables and indices: 245, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254 and on 371 and 372.

*****E X A M 1 will cover Topics I and II.*****

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LECTURE TOPIC**READING ASSIGNMENTS**

III. Biosphere and Human Impact

III. Text: Ch. 12 (Ecosystems, Impact on Water; Plants & Animals)
Atlas: various Environments, Natural Hazards, Vegetation maps.IV. Weather and Climate: Physical Aspects
and Human ImpactIV. Text: Ch. 4, 12 (Impact on Air and Climate)
Atlas: xii, 10-45.V. Landforms: Physical Aspects
and Human ImpactV. Text: Chapter 3, 12 (Impact on Land & soils; solid waste disp.)
Atlas: 4-9, 219-25, 250.*****E X A M 2 will cover Topics III, IV, and V.*****

VI. Living on the Earth

VI. Text: Chapters 6, 8. Review the photos in Ch. 12.
Atlas: 1, 24-35, 59.

VII. Cultural Geography

VII. Text: Chapter 7; Atlas: 24-35.

VIII. Economic Geography: Location
Analysis, Resources and DevelopmentVIII. Text: Chapter 10. Skim Chapter 5. Review Chapter 8
(Individual Activity Space; Distance and Spatial Interaction
sections); Atlas: 45-57.

IX. Urban Geography

IX. Text: Chapter 11; Atlas: 27, 226-44, 251.

X. Political Geography

X. Text: Chapter 9; Atlas: 2-3, 32-57, 58-59, 245-249.

*****E X A M 3 (the Final) will cover Topics VI, VII, VIII, IX and X.*****

GEOG 101 - sect. 51 CALENDAR: Fall 2006

Thu., Aug. 31

First class meeting

Tue., Oct. 3

No class MONDAY schedule at Hunter

Thu., Nov. 23

No class - Thanksgiving

Tue., Dec. 12

Last class lecture

Thu., Dec. 21**Final examination from 6:20-8:20 PM****Do not make plans to be away for December 21!! No travel or Christmas party excuses!**