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**GEOG 251 GEOGRAPHY of the UNITED STATES and CANADA
EXAM 1 STUDY GUIDE for TUESDAY, March 5, 2013**

Review:

Class notes
Handouts including PowerPoint lectures
Location of the major physiographic regions of North America
Location of the major climate zones of North America
Names and locations of physical features listed below
Definition of terms listed below.

Readings:

Review Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of the textbook.

Exam Format:

There will be a combination of
- **multiple choice questions** some aimed at maps or diagrams;
- **several short topical essays** where you will illustrate your understanding of the concepts of regions, landscapes, physical processes and basic human geography.

LANDFORM FEATURES OF NORTH AMERICA for EXAM I

Aleutian Islands Appalachian Mountains Arctic Archipelago Brooks Range Canadian Shield
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Cascade Range Coast Ranges Coastal Mountains Great Basin Great Plain Hawaiian Islands
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Laurentian Highlands Rocky Mountains Sierra Nevada Mountains Vancouver Island
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WATER FEATURES OF NORTH AMERICA for EXAM I

Arctic Ocean Atlantic Ocean Baffin Bay Bering Sea Bering Strait Davis Strait

Great Lakes Gulf of Alaska Gulf of Mexico Gulf of St. Lawrence Hudson Bay Labrador Sea Mississippi River
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Missouri River Ohio River Pacific Ocean Rio Grande St. Lawrence River

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DEFINITIONS and TERMINOLOGY for EXAM I that were mentioned in class or in the textbook:

acculturation
alpine glacier
aquifer
bedrock
biota
Canadian Shield
climate
climax vegetation
coniferous forest
continental divide
continental drift
continental ice sheet
convectional precipitation
cultural landscape
cyclonic (frontal) precipitation
desiduous forest
diaspora
drainage basin
environmental impact
fault zone
faulting
fauna
First Nations
fjord
floodplain
flora
folding

glaciation
glacier
groundwater
growing season
hearth
human impact
hydrogeology
hydrologic cycle
hydrology
Ice Age
ice front
ice lobe
immigrant
Indian Reservation
Indian Reserve
interglacial period
land bridge
landscape
loam soil
Manifest Destiny
melt water
microclimate
moraine
natural hazard
natural landscape
orographic precipitation
outwash
outwash plain

paleogeography
permafrost
physiographic province (region)
plate tectonics
pull factor
push factor
rain shadow
recessional moraine
region
soil
soil profile
surface water
terminal moraine
topography
tree line
Tropic of Cancer
U-shaped valley
vertical zonation of climate
volcanism
V-shaped valley
water table
watershed
watershed divide
weather
Wisconsinan Stage