

**HUNTER COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**

**GEOG 251- GEOGRAPHY of the UNITED STATES and CANADA  
EXAM III STUDY GUIDE- for TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2013**

**Exam starts at 5:20 PM – ends at 7:20 PM**

**Review:**

- Class notes
- Handouts including PowerPoint lectures and articles
- 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.
- Names of the states and provinces in discussed in Chapters 12-18.

**Readings:**

- Review Chapters 12 through 18 of the textbook.
- Review appropriate maps in the historical atlas.

**Exam Format:**

- Similar to Exams 1 and 2, 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/or basic human geography.

**PHYSICAL FEATURES OF NORTH AMERICA for EXAM III**

Alaska Panhandle Alaska Range Aleutian Islands Arctic Islands Arctic Ocean Baffin Island Baja California Bering Sea Bering Strait Brooks Range Canadian Rockies Canadian Shield Cascade Mts. Central Valley of California Colorado Plateau Colorado River Columbia Plateau Ellesmere Island Golden Gate Great Lakes Great Salt Lake
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Green River Gulf of Alaska Gulf of California Gulf of Mexico Gulf of St. Lawrence Hawaii Hawaiian Islands Hudson Bay Inside Passage James Bay Juan de Fuca Strait Kauai Klamath Mts. Labrador Sea Lake Huron Lake Michigan Lake Superior Lake Tahoe Maui Mackenzie River Mesabi Range Middle Rockies
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Mississippi River Missouri River North Slope Northern Rockies Oahu Owens Valley Pecos River Platte River Puget Sound Queen Charlotte Island Rio Grande Rocky Mts. Salton Basin San Francisco Bay Sierra Nevada Southern Rockies St. Elias Mts. Vancouver Island Willamette Valley Yukon River
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**DEFINITIONS and TERMINOLOGY for EXAM III that were mentioned in class or in the textbook:**

Acculturation  
Adobe  
Alta California  
Aquifer  
Badlands  
Basin and range topography  
Bison  
Blizzard  
Boreal forest  
Braided river  
Buffalo jump  
Bur. of Land Managem't (BLM)  
Caldera  
California Trail  
Cattle drive  
Central Arizona Project  
Chaco Culture  
Chinook wind  
Clear cutting  
Continental Divide  
Doctrine of Prior Appropriation  
Drought  
Dust Bowl  
Earthquake  
El Camino Real  
Fault zone  
Fish ladder  
Fjord  
Four Corners

Gadsden Purchase  
Ghost town  
Hacienda  
High Plains  
Hinterland  
Hot spot  
Hydroelectricity  
Inuit Nation  
John Jacob Astor  
Klondike  
Lahars  
Métis  
Mexican Cession  
Mollisol soil  
Mormon Trail  
Mud flow  
Navaho Nation  
Northwest Passage  
Ogallala Aquifer  
Oil Shale  
Old Town  
Open pit mine  
Oregon Country  
Oregon Trail  
Oregon Treaty of 1846  
Orographic precipitation  
Permafrost  
Pivot irrigation  
Plains  
Prairie

Prairie Provinces  
Presidio  
Pueblo  
Rain shadow  
Rancho  
Range Wars  
Riparian Rights  
Salt flats  
Santa Ana wind  
Santa Fe Trail  
Shield volcano  
Smog  
Sod house  
Spanish Mission  
St. Lawrence Seaway  
Strip mining  
Taiga  
Tar Sands  
Temperate rain forest  
Temperature inversion  
Texas Rebellion  
Tornado Alley  
Transcontinental railroad  
Transhumance  
Tree line  
Tundra  
Wagon train  
Winter wheat

**CITIES OF US&C for EXAM III**

Albuquerque, NM  
Anchorage, AK  
Calgary, AB  
Churchill, MB  
Dallas, TX  
Denver, CO  
Duluth, MN  
Edmonton, AB  
El Paso, TX  
Fairbanks, AK  
Honolulu, HI

Juneau, AK  
Kansas City, MO  
Las Vegas, NV  
Los Angeles, CA  
Minneapolis, MN  
Oakland, CA  
Phoenix, AZ  
Portland, OR  
Reno, NV  
Sacramento, CA  
Salt Lake City, UT  
San Diego, CA

San Francisco, CA  
San Jose, CA  
Santa Barbara, CA  
Santa Fe, NM  
Seattle, WA  
Thunder Bay, ON  
Tucson, AZ  
Vancouver, BC  
Wichita, KS  
Winnipeg, MB