

GEO 115: World Regional Geography (M,W)

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Course Goal: To acquaint students with the spatial patterns of human-environment interaction over the surface of the earth and the natural, cultural, economic, and political factors that cause them.

Required Materials: Rowntree, L., et al., *Diversity Amid Globalization: World Regions, Environment, Development*; Handouts including a list of countries.

Week	Tentative Topic	Readings
Aug. 23-25	Introduction, Landforms	1,2
Aug. 30-Sep. 1	Climate, Europe	8
6-8	Europe, Study Day	
13-15	Europe	
20-22	Russia and Neighbors, Test One	9
27-29	Russia, SW Asia & N Africa	7,10
Oct. 4-6	SW Asia & N. Africa	12
11-13	South Asia	
18-20	South Asia, East Asia	11
25-27	East Asia, Test Two	
Nov. 1-3	East Asia, Southeast Asia	13
8-10	Southeast Asia	
15-17	Africa	6
22-24	Africa, Thanksgiving	
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	Africa, Latin America	4,5
6 & 10	Latin America, Test Three	

Grade: There will be three exams, each worth 100 points. Each exam will include questions from the lectures, readings, any visual materials or films presented, plus a list of world countries that you will need to know for every exam. The total possible points, therefore, is 300. Grades will be as follows: 270-300=A, 240-269=B, 210-239=C, 180-209=D, 179 and lower =F. There will be no extra credit assignments.

Makeup Exam: The only time for a makeup exam is Monday, November 8 at 1:00pm in room LSCB 136.

Attendance: It is your business to attend class. As last semester's class learned, missing many lectures destroys your grade. Try to come to class on time and prepared for the lecture period of one hour, 15 minutes. It is very disturbing to have students coming and going in the middle of a presentation.

Behavior: Poor behavior in class is not expected from adults. It demonstrates a low intellect, a delayed achievement of adulthood, and bothers both the lecturer and the class. After one public warning, disruption of the class or instructor will result in a 30-point reduction on the next exam for each infraction.

Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, students with bona fide disabilities will be afforded reasonable accommodation. The Office of Special Student Services will certify a disability and advise faculty members of reasonable accommodations.

Further Note: This syllabus is a tentative one. Changes may be made by the instructor with two days notice to the students.