

Social Cultural Geography Geg 301 (3 credits)

Syllabus

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Textbook: New Text! 9/26/16

The World Today: Concepts and Regions in Geography, 7th Edition

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Blackboard: <http://bb2.doane.edu>

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Course Description:

This is an advanced-level undergraduate course examining regional geography of the world from the basis of the National Standards for Geography. Course content includes identification

and discussion of how geography has influenced settlement patterns, how cultures have influenced the development of nations, and how the physical landscape influenced the human mosaic.

Course Outcomes: Undergraduate Core:

Global and Cultural Contexts

1. Understand the evolution and the development of cultural frameworks in the context of historical, political, social, religious, economic and/or legal structures.
2. Interpret intercultural experiences from the perspectives of more than one worldview and demonstrate the ability to appreciate other cultures beyond their own experience.

Rhetorical Communications

1. Support a clear argument with appropriate evidence and analysis in a focused and organized way.

The student will able to:

- describe the relationship of historical events and the geographic patterns of mankind of the 12 geographic realms
- explain the variations in culture within different societies
- explain how settlement patterns were influenced by physical factors
- be able to describe and demonstrate the five themes of geography; **Location, Place, Human/environment interaction, Movement, and Regions.**

- locate the 12 realms/regions, and countries of the world on a map

Learning Strategies

- a. Online Lectures (PPT files or PDF files)
- b. Discussion Board Questions
- c. Video Case Study Essays
- d. Open Book reading exams
- e. Supplementary PDF Readings
- f. Final Geography Project

Attendance/Participation Policy:

Students are expected to participate online on a regular basis.

Please contact the professor in case of illness or emergency.

Course Requirements and Evaluation:

Course grades will reflect successful work in these areas:

- Course Participation
- 12 Realm Open Book Exams
- Video Case Studies Papers
- Midterm and Final Map Exam
- Final Geography Project

- I have a set of grading standards posted on Blackboard that I plan to follow on each area of the work in this course.

Grading Scale

90-100 A

80-89 B

70-79 C

60-69 D

Below 59 F

The Doane College Academic Integrity Policy will be adhered to in this class. All projects and tests will represent your own work. Any use of others' ideas and words without proper citation of sources is plagiarism and will result in penalties to be determined by the instructor and/or the dean of undergraduate studies.

Caveat: Due to the constructivist nature of this course the above schedule and procedures are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances.