

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE
BUSINESS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION
GENERAL COURSE OUTLINE

GEG	100	Cultural Geography	(3-0)	3
Course Prefix	Course Number	Course Title	Lec-Lab	Credit Hours

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Surveys the contemporary topics of human geography: population, migration, language, religion, ethnicity, and political, economic, and urban geography.
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TOPICAL OUTLINE

- I. The Fundamentals of Geography
- II. Population
- III. Migration
- IV. Language
- V. Religion
- VI. Ethnicity
- VII. Political Geography
- VIII. Agriculture
- IX. Industry
- X. Services
- XI. Resource and Environmental Issues
- XII. Settlement and Urban Patterns

METHOD OF PRESENTATION

1. Lecture
2. Audio-Visual Presentations
3. Maps
4. Discussions

STUDENT OUTCOMES: *(The student should...)*

1. define the term "geography".
2. locate and name the countries of the world (except small island states and microstates)
3. recognize different map projections, types, and scales: and understand their uses and problems.
4. use the basic human geography tools (maps, regions, models) and vocabulary
5. define culture and analyze its diffusion on the surface of the earth.
6. recognize patterns of population distribution.
7. recognize patterns and causes of human migration.
8. understand the classification and distribution of the world's languages.
9. understand the classification and distribution of the world's religions.
10. define ethnicity and understand the role of ethnicity in cultural conflicts.
11. understand the spatial distribution of levels of economic development and the measures used to define them.
12. classify economic activities.

13. understand the classification and distribution of the world's agricultural regions.
14. recognize the role of locational decisions in the distribution of manufacturing activities.
15. explain the distribution of central places.
16. contrast the concepts of "states, "nation", "nation-state", and "multi-national state".
17. understand the issues connected with defining and defending state boundaries.
18. understand urban structure models and their uses.

METHOD OF EVALUATION

1. Multiple choice and/or essay quizzes and exams.
2. Map quizzes.
3. Written reports/problem sets/assignments.
4. Final exam.

TEXTBOOK

Rubenstein, *The Cultural Landscape: An Introduction to Human Geography*, 9e, 2008, Prentice Hall.

Know, *Human Geography: Places and Regions in a Global Context*, 5e, Prentice Hall, 2009

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