

0101G110H

Honor Introduction to World Geography

Instructor: TBA

Time: Monday through Friday (June 14, 2021-July 16, 2021)

Office Hours: 2 hours (according to the teaching schedule)

Contact Hours: 60 (50 minutes each)

Credits: 4

Location: Huiquan Building

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Course Description

This course is an introductory study of the human and natural resources of the major regions of the world. From each region, one or more countries are selected for study in depth. Political, cultural, economic, environment and strategic comparisons are made, including race and ethnicity, migration, economic inequality, colonialism, climate change, protest movements, colonialism, globalization, etc.

Required Textbook

World Regions in Global Context: Peoples, Places, and Environments, 6th edition, by Marston, Knox, Liverman, Del Casino, Robbins. ISBN-10: 0134183649; ISBN-13: 978-0134183640

Grading Policy

- Participation (10%)
- Homework (20%)
- Final Paper (30%)

- Midterm Exam (20%)
- Final Exam (20%)

Participation: The remaining 10% of the student's grade will be determined by regular participation in discussions.

Homework: Homework will be assigned each week.

Final Paper: Each student is required to write a paper. The length of the paper is 3-5 pages. It is the quality of the work and not the quantity of the pages which will be considered when determining the grade. However, papers 1-2 pages long are unacceptable. The paper must be submitted on time. The paper is due the day stated in this syllabus and the paper grade will be dropped an entire letter grade for each day it is late.

Exams: There will be two exams over the five-week term.

Grading Scale

The instructor will use the grading system as applied by JNU:

| Definition | Letter Grade | Score |
|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Excellent | A | 90~100 |
| Good | B | 80~89 |
| Satisfactory | C | 70~79 |
| Poor | D | 60~69 |
| Failed | E | Below 60 |

Course Schedule

Please note that the schedule is meant to give an overview of the major concepts of this course. Changes may occur in this calendar as needed to aid in the student's development.

Week 1

- Introduction to the course
- The United States and Canada (Chapter 1)
- Europe (Chapter 2)
- World Regions in Global Context (Chapter 11)
- Discussion

Week 2

- Australia, New Zealand (Chapter 3)

- South Pacific (Chapter 3)
- The Russian Federation (Chapter 4)
- Central Asia (Chapter 4)
- The Transcaucasus (Chapter 4)
- Essay 1

Week 3

- Middle East (Chapter 5)
- North Africa (Chapter 5)
- Sub-Saharan Africa (Chapter 6)
- Discussion
- Exam Review
- Midterm

Week 4

- Middle America (Chapter 7)
- South America (Chapter 7)
- Southeast Asia (Chapter 8)
- Movie

Week 5

- East Asia (Chapter 9)
- South Asia (Chapter 10)
- Discussion
- Exam Review
- Final Exam

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory in the class. It will be recorded each class and forms part of students' participation record. Students should inform the instructor at the earliest opportunity if they need to ask for a leave. All absences may have negative effect on students' final grades. Any student with more than three unexcused absences will automatically fail the course.

Academic Integrity

As members of the Jinan University academic community, students are expected to be

honest in all of their academic coursework and activities. Academic dishonesty, includes (but is not limited to) cheating on assignments or examinations; plagiarizing, i.e., misrepresenting as one's own work any work done by another; submitting the same paper, or a substantially similar paper, to meet the requirements of more than one course without the approval and consent of the instructors concerned; or sabotaging other students' work within these general definitions. Instructors, however, determine what constitutes academic misconduct in the courses they teach. Students found guilty of academic misconduct in any portion of the academic work face penalties that range from the lowering of their course grade to awarding a grade of E for the entire course.