

Hagerstown Community College
OFFICIAL COURSE MASTER SYLLABUS DOCUMENT

COURSE: GEO 105: World Regional Geography, 3 credits

INSTRUCTOR:

SEMESTER/YEAR: SUMMER 2016

COURSE DESCRIPTION: World Regional Geography is an examination of global regions, patterns and trends, which together form the basis for interpreting world affairs and regional interactions. Topics include the growth of the global political economy, nations and states, international organizations, boundary disputes, population pressures, uneven access to natural resources, and other ongoing processes of international cooperation and conflict. Regions are compared and contrasted. Specific regional events and the changing political map are examined.

TEXTBOOKS:

Pulsipher, Lydia Mihelic. World Regional Geography Concepts 3rd ed. New York: W.H. Freeman, 2015.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The student will be able to:

- I. Critically analyze current and historical cultural concepts effecting different regions of the world and the inter-relationships between these regions.
- II. Assess current socio-economic, cultural and political issues resulting from the interactive and opposing forces of homogenization and diversification.
- III. Examine geographic factors that have influenced the student's life on a global, national and local level.

GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES:

The student will be able to:

- Critically analyze and evaluate issues derived from the Social Sciences utilizing appropriate methodologies.
- Demonstrate how culture, society and diversity shape the role of the individual within society and human relations across cultures.

TOTAL HOURS OF COURSEWORK:

To earn one academic credit at HCC, students are required to complete a minimum of 37.5 clock hours (45 fifty-minute "academic" hours) of coursework per semester. Certain courses may require more than the 37.5 minimum hours of coursework per credit.

Accounting for Credit Hour Requirements:

Components of the Course	Clock Hours
In-class Instruction, Lecture, Discussion, Activities and Assessments	37.5
Assigned Reading/Homework	47
Preparing for Exams	12
Contemporary Issue Assignment	8
Diversity Assignment	8
	Total Hours = 112.5

The following table describes the hours of classwork required for on online section of this class:

Components of the Course	Clock Hours
Assigned Reading	68
Preparing for Exams	12
Completing Quizzes and Exams	8.5
Contemporary Issue Assignment	12
Diversity Assignment	12
	Total Hours = 112.5

*Please note: This is an estimate of the minimum time requirements to successfully complete this course. Adherence to this does not guarantee success in the course.

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Students may receive reasonable accommodations if they have a diagnosed disability and present appropriate documentation. Students seeking accommodations are required to contact the Disability Support Services (DSS) office as early as possible. Students may contact a DSS staff member for an appointment at dss@hagerstowncc.edu or at 240-500-2530.