GEOG 102  World Regional Geography

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Geography 102 is a survey of the world’s major cultural regions. Environmental, cultural, political, and economic characteristics of each region and regional interactions are explored from a geographic perspective.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other Than Class Times

None

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of basic geographic terms, locations, concepts, theories, and methodology (Knowledge).

2. Demonstrating an understanding of historical, social and environmental processes shaping the world’s major cultural regions (Analysis).

3. Apply the knowledge of basic geographic terms, locations, concepts, theories, and methodology to critically explain current world events and issues and daily events (Application).
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*Forwarding Your UH Mail to Another Email Account*  
(http://windward.hawaii.edu/facstaff/ikagawa-t/Forwarding%20your%20UH%20Mail.pdf)

**REQUIREMENTS COURSE SATISFIES**

At WCC: Meets AA degree Social Science requirements  
At UHM: Meets General Education Core Diversification Requirements (DS); At UH Manoa, GEOG 102 is a Foundation Course (FG-B)

**RECOMMENDED BASIC SKILLS LEVEL**

Ability to read and write at a college level

**LEARNING RESOURCES**

Required Textbook: 

**COURSE TASKS**

**Dear Geography Student:**

Welcome to the Geography 102 course, *World Regional (Physical/Cultural) Geography*. In this course, we examine the geographic forces working to shape the complex features of world environments and civilizations. Our purpose is to understand the link between the natural world and societies. To enhance our geographic understanding, we explore the 12 geographic regions of the world and their interconnectedness, physical and human contents, assets and liabilities, links and barriers, and potentials and prospects.

**Assignments:**

It is assumed that you read and understand all the assigned part of the textbook before each class period (see the class schedule attached). During and after each class you will write a workbook exercise (or equivalent) which will be counted toward your final grade. There may also be non-prescheduled pop-quizzes and/or assignments in any classes, which will be counted toward your final grade.

**Attendance/participation:**

Attendance is mandatory, and presence/absence will be evaluated by roll call (signup sheet) and participation is evaluated by class participation and learning logs (or equivalent). It is assumed that you know and understand all the materials covered in all lectures (part of which may not be covered in the textbook).
Also, any changes in the content/material/schedule/procedure related to the class, announced during any class period will stand, even if you are not there. It is your responsibility to obtain such information from your classmate or any other sources, if you miss any lectures.

### ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

#### Student Evaluation:

1. There will be three **Exams** (40 points each), 13 **Map Quizzes** (5 points each) and **Attendance/Participation** (30 points) for the evaluation (Total 215 points).

   **Requirement 1:** You must achieve **60%** or better of the total of exams and attendance/participation to pass the course.

2. There will be a mandatory **Capstone Quiz** near the end of the semester (extra points according to your achievement).

   **Requirement 2:** You must achieve **70%** or better for the survey to pass the course.

3. If you fail to meet one or both of the above two requirements, there will be a **Makeup Exam** during the Final’s Week.

   **Requirement 3:** To pass the course, you must achieve **80%** or better.

4. **Participation** (via learning logs) will be used to evaluate each student’s achievement of course objectives listed above. Because the learning logs are record of class participation and will be done in class, students missing class regularly (i.e. more than **10%** of classes), thus missing learning logs, cannot be assessed for these objectives and therefore will **not** be able to pass the course.

   **Requirement 4:** No more than **10%** absences from classes

**Please mark your calendar now.**

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<td>Multiple choice questions about the regional geography</td>
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<td>Map Quiz</td>
<td>Matching questions based on “GEOG 102 Place Names” list</td>
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Capstone Quiz | Multiple choice questions from Lectures (based on “GEOG 102 Key Concepts & Terms”) | 16th week on Laulima
Makeup Exam | Multiple choice questions for Textbook: Chapters 1—14 | 16th — 17th weeks on Laulima
Workbook Exercise | Questions and exercises designed for the lecture | Due at the end of each class

**NOTE:** Exams cover both lectures and the textbook. It is mandatory to attend all the lectures. Each exam includes multiple-choice questions, including true/false questions. When you study, it is strongly recommended to check ideas and concepts using the textbook. (1) Key concepts and terms and (2) review questions for multiple choice questions are available on Laulima.

**How to access Laulima**

1. Go to the Laulima entry page at:
   
   [https://laulima.hawaii.edu/portal](https://laulima.hawaii.edu/portal)

2. Log in using your UH Banner ID and password.

3. Select the class from the “My Workspace” bar near the top and click.

4. On the left side, there is the table of contents (Home, Syllabus, Tests & Quizzes, Resources, etc.). Click to access.

   **NOTE:** The exams/survey/quiz can be only accessible at The Testing Center (TTC) during the designated period. The proctor at TTC will enter password for you. You can take each exam ONLY once.

**Academic dishonesty:** (SERIOUS WARNING!!)

Academic dishonesty such as cheating and plagiarism that may occur in this class will be severely punished. It most likely will result in immediate dismissal from the class. In other words, “DON’T DO IT” even if you have noble reasons to do so. It is NOT worth a try it in this class.

**Grading uses the standard scale:**

A: 90.0-100.0%, B: 80.0-89.9%; C: 70.0-79.9%, D: 60.0-69.9%, F: 0-59.9%

For Cr/NC options, Incomplete (“I” grade), and “W” grade, see the WCC College Catalog.

There is no “N” grade in this class.

**NOTE:**

1. There is NO regular extra credit work (irregular ones may be announced in the class).
2. There is NO make-ups for each missed exams, except the last Makeup Exam mentioned above.
GEOG 101 Grading Flowchart

Grading involves the following:

1. Pre-Survey
2. Exams 1, 2 & 3 (plus Attendance/Participation points)
3. Capstone Quiz
4. Attendance/Participation
5. Makeup Exam

START:

Pre-survey Took?

Yes

Capstone Quiz

≥ 70.0% ?

Yes

Capstone Quiz

50.0-69.9% ?

No

Exams 1, 2 & 3 (plus Attn/Par. pts)

≥ 60.0% ?

Yes

Make up Exam (for minimal pass)

≥ 80.0% ?

No

Attendence/Participation

Absences ≤ 10% ?

Yes

Congratulations!

Passing Grade

No

Super Massive Black Hole

Fail the Class
### COURSE CONTENT

**World Regional Geography (GEOG 102) Schedule**

**Week (Date) Subjects** (Reading assignment of Textbook)

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**NOTE:** Schedule/subjects may change without prior notice.

**Disabilities Accommodation Statement**

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you
succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale ‘Akoakoa 213 for more information.

### Additional Information

**Legal assumptions:**

It is hereby assumed that you will strictly follow all and any reasonable procedures/ethics, etc. that are enforced in this academic institution. Refer to the Student Conduct Code ([http://www.hawaii.edu/apis/ep/e7/e7208.pdf](http://www.hawaii.edu/apis/ep/e7/e7208.pdf)) for the details.

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