

COURSE OUTLINE 2005 (SPRING)

**GEOGRAPHY 203 H (3-0) (AREA II)  
THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT**

**Timetable:** SPRING SESSION **Catalogue # 1156**

Lec 20	MWF	12:00 (110 min)	ES 443
Lab 20	MWF	14:00 (50 min)	ES 319

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**Course Content:**

This is an introductory course primarily focusing on spatial organization of human activities on a worldwide scale, as well as human interaction with the environment. Specific topics include:

- Human origins and early history
- Agriculture, industry
- Economic development
- Settlement and urbanization
- Population and population demographics
- Migration and migration patterns
- Political geography
- Geography of religion and language

**Grading:**

<b>Mid-term exam</b>	TBA.....	20%
<b>Lab exercises</b>	8 labs at 5% each.....	40%
<b>Final exam</b> (scheduled by the Registrar)	.....	40%

**Grading system**

96-100	A+	77-80	B	59-61	C-
90-95	A	71-76	B-	55-58	D+
86-89	A-	65-70	C+	50-54	D
81-86	B+	62-64	C	49 & less	F

**Note:** It is not necessary to pass all parts of the course to pass the course as a whole.

**Text (supplementary):**

Norton, William, *Human Geography*, Oxford University Press, latest ed.

A current atlas will be useful. Recommended: *Goode's World Atlas*, latest ed.

### **Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments**

- Assignments will be handed back only in class or by the Professor at pre-arranged time(s).
- If you would like to receive your assignment through the mail, please include an appropriately sized self-addressed, stamped envelope with your assignment when you hand it in to the professor.
- Posting of grades will be at the discretion of each Professor and, if posted, they will be scrambled. Please note, grades will not be available in the Geography office.

### **Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation**

- SU VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 and e-mail: [suvpaca@ucalgary.ca](mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca)
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### **Re: Labs**

**All labs are due Friday by 3pm** on the week they were introduced. In the case of illness, a doctor's note is required to have a late assignment marked. Late labs will be given a mark of **zero**. Labs are not required to be typed, but labs which are messy or the writing can not be deciphered, shall have grades taken off or be given a mark of zero – this includes spelling and grammar.

**All labs** must be stapled and submitted in the Geography 203 drop box outside room ES315.

Labs will be taught on Mondays and Wednesdays, while Fridays will be open lab time for students to work and complete unfinished labs.

The TA reserves the right to modify, edit, or add questions to labs or edit the grading scheme for the lab. It is the students responsibility to attend the lab to assure they do not miss anything.

All lab concerns are to be addressed to the TA. Appointments can be set up via email.

## **Plagiarism**

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary and students are **strongly advised** to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar. Quite often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are 1) presenting another student's work as your own 2) presenting an author's work or ideas as your own without proper referencing and 3) using work completed for another course. This activity will not be tolerated in this course and students conducting themselves in this manner will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar.