

**GEOG 205
H(3-0) Area III**

Gateway to Geography

Timetable: See current Infonet information at: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/InfoNet/> **Catalogue #:** See current information on Infonet

Instructor: Mryka Hall-Beyer

Official Course Description:

An overview of human and physical environments, their inter-relationships and their relevance to environmental issues and world affairs. Major topics are drawn from current global issues where location matters. Specific examples are discussed in a global context and vary by session.

NOTE: Not open to students with credit in Geography 201, 203, 211 or 251.

Prerequisite:

N/A

Supplementary Fees: (*field trips etc*). N/A.

Text(s)/Readings:

Gateway to Geography, 2nd edition: a compilation of excerpts from Christopherson and Byrne 2005, and Knox et al. 2005 prepared by Pearson Custom Publishing. Available at the bookstore.

All students are required to purchase and register a “clicker” using the e-Instructions CPS system. Clickers are available in the bookstore and instructions for registration and use will be given in class.

Blackboard All course material will be posted through Blackboard (<http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca>) and students will be automatically enrolled. Assignments and discussion will take place using this site, and students are required to use the system. All printing of material is at student discretion.

Grading (Weighting):

Participation	10%
Short discussions (2x10%)	20%
Group discussion participation and quality (2x10%)	20%
Quizzes (best 3 out of 4, x10%)	30%
Final exam	20%

Note: Quizzes are multiple-choice taken during class, with timed questions presented using the digital projector. Students that have difficulty with this presentation should contact the Disability Resource Centre early in the course.

No makeup quizzes will be scheduled.

The final examination will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office. An overall passing grade will determine course pass; it is not necessary to pass each individual component of the course..

Grading System:

Some course components will be scored as a percent, in which case the letter grade equivalents in Table I will apply. Other parts of the course will be scored on a letter grade system, in which case the system in Table II will be used. Numerical grades will be converted to the 4.0 system before averaging with other components to determine the final course grade..Upper bounds are presumed to be to .99 (example: A is 90 to 95.99 where 90-95 is indicated)

Table I:

96-100	A+	76-80	B	59-61	C-
90-95	A	70-75	B-	55-58	D+
86-89	A-	65-69	C+	50-54	D
81-85	B+	62-64	C	0-49	F

Table II:

A+	4.00	Outstanding performance
A	4.00	Excellent-superior performance, showing comprehensive understanding of subject
A-	3.70	↑

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Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

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Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation

- SU VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 and e-mail: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca

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B+	3.30	
B	3.00	Good - clearly above average performance
B-	2.70	↑
C+	2.30	
C	2.00	Satisfactory performance – basic understanding of the subject
C-	1.70	
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	Minimal Pass-marginal performance
F	0	Fail - - poor performance

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