

**GEOGRAPHY 213
H(3-0) Area II**

Geography of World Affairs

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Official Course Description:

Focuses on the major culture regions of the world and also individual countries. Emphasis on the characteristics, distribution, inter-relationships and comparisons of the major culture and physical phenomena of these areas i.e. population, political situation, economy, language, religion and environment. Some historical developments in each of the areas are presented for perspective, but the major emphasis is on the background for understanding contemporary world affairs.

Discussion will focus on a survey of major culture regions of the world:

Europe	Sub-Saharan Africa
Former USSR	South Asia
Middle America	East Asia
South America	Southeast Asia
North Africa/Southwest Asia	Australia & Pacific Oceania

Note: Anglo-America (Canada and the U.S.) will not be covered, however references will be made to the region throughout the course whenever the discussion warrants it.

Text(s)/Readings:

De Blij and Muller: Geography: Regions and Concepts, Wiley, Latest edition

A current atlas will be necessary. Recommended: Goode's World Atlas, latest edition

Grading (Weighting):

Three examinations:	Mid-term # 1 (TBA)	30%
	Mid-term # 2 (TBA)	30%
	Final exam (scheduled by the Registrar) ...	40%

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

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
81-85	B+	62-64	C	0-49	F

Plagiarism

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Disability Resource Centre Accommodations

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

- All assignments will be handles on Blackboard.
- Their own grades will be available to each student on Blackboard by password access. Grades will **not** be available at Geography's main office.

Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation

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

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