

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

**GEOGRAPHY OF WORLD AFFAIRS**

**Timetable:** WINTER SESSION

Lec. 01                                      MWF 14:00-14:50                                      ES 162

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**Course Content:**

*This is not a course on current events. The course provides university-level background to more properly comprehend current problems and world affairs.*

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

- Europe
- Russia
- Middle America
- South America
- SW Asia-North Africa
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- South Asia
- Southwest Asia
- East Asia, Japan
- Australia, New Zealand
- Pacific Oceania

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

The regions will be discussed in terms of:

- Characteristic regional features
- Historical background
- Races-languages-religion
- Culture realms
- Physical environment
- Population and settlement
- Economy

**Grading:**

<b>Two (2) intra-session tests</b>	#1:	(TBA)	.....	30%
	#2:	(TBA)	.....	30%
<b>Final examination</b>	(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.

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\*subject to change before classes officially start.

**Text:** DeBlij and Muller: *Geography: Regions and Concepts*, Wiley, latest ed.  
A current atlas will be necessary. Recommended: *Goode's World Atlas*, latest ed.

### 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

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.

#### 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).
- To receive your marked assignment back via mail, please include an appropriately sized self-addressed, stamped envelope with your assignment when handing in to the professor.
- Posting of grades will be at the discretion of each Professor and, if posted, they will be scrambled. 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](mailto:suypaca@ucalgary.ca)
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: [socialscirep@su.ualgary.ca](mailto:socialscirep@su.ualgary.ca)

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