



**GEOGRAPHY FINAL COURSE OUTLINE: WINTER 2017**

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

**Geography of World Affairs**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
LEC01	MoWeFr	14:00 – 14:50	EEEL 161

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**Please note: The emergency evacuation assembly point for classes taught in Administration is Social Science Food Court.**

**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 select culture regions of the world:

Europe	Sub-Saharan Africa
Former USSR	South Asia
North Africa/Southwest Asia	East Asia
Canada & United States	Southeast Asia

**Prerequisite:** N/A

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

**Text(s)/Readings:**

Geography: Realms, Regions, and Concepts, 17th Edition. Jan Nijman, Harm J. de Blij, Peter O. Muller. Available as Hardcover, Loose-leaf (ISBN 978-1-119-30189-9) or Wiley E-Text (recommended, will be available when book is published late 2016). Any of these formats are acceptable for use in this course. You can purchase the eBook through Wiley's website in late 2016. The link will be provided when available.

## Geography of World Affairs Course Schedule

Wk	Date	Topic	Readings
1	Jan 9-11-13	Introduction to Geography of World Affairs Canada	Chapter 1
2	Jan 16-18-20	Canada & United States	Chapter 1
3	Jan 23-25-27	Europe	Chapter 4
4	Jan 30 Feb 1-3	Europe	Chapter 4
5	Feb 6-8-10	<b>Midterm exam1:</b> (February 6 <sup>th</sup> ) 30% Former USSR	Chapter 5
6	Feb 13-15-17	Sub-Saharan Africa	Chapter 7
7	Feb 20-24	Reading break no classes	
8	Feb 27 Mar 1-3	North Africa/Southwest Asia	Chapter 6
9	Mar 6-8-10	South Asia	Chapter 8
10	Mar 13-15-17	East Asia (China)	Chapter 9
11	Mar 20-22-24	East Asia	Chapter 9
12	Mar 27-29-31	Southeast Asia	Chapter 10
13	April 3-5-7	Southeast Asia	Chapter 10
14	April 10	Review	

### Grading (Weighting):

<b>Midterm exam1:</b> (February 6 <sup>th</sup> ) .....	30%
<b>Midterm exam 2:</b> (March 8 <sup>th</sup> ) .....	30%
<b>Final examination</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
81-85	B+	62-64	C	0-49	F

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

For additional detailed course information posted by the Instructor Desire2Learn at <https://d2l.ucalgary.ca/d2l/home>

## **USRI**

At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses ([www.ucalgary.ca/usri](http://www.ucalgary.ca/usri)). Your responses make a difference - please participate in USRI Surveys.

## **Writing across the Curriculum**

Writing skills are not exclusive to English courses and, in fact, should cross all disciplines. The University supports the belief that throughout their University careers, students should be taught how to write well so that when they graduate their writing abilities will be far above the minimal standards required at entrance. Consistent with this belief, students are expected to do a substantial amount of writing in their University courses and, where appropriate, members of faculty can and should use writing and the grading thereof as a factor in the evaluation of student work. The services provided by the Writing Support Services can be utilized by all undergraduate and graduate students who feel they require further assistance.

## **Principles of Conduct**

The University of Calgary Calendar includes a statement on the Principles of conduct expected of all members of the University community (including students, faculty, administrators, any category of staff, practicum supervisors and volunteers) whether on or off the University's property. This statement applies in all situations where the members of the University community are acting in their University capacities. All Members of the University Community have a responsibility to familiarize themselves with this statement which is available at: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/j-2.html>

## **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. <http://www.ucalgary.ca/honesty/plagiarism>

## **Academic Accommodations:**

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the university policies and procedures listed below. The student accommodation policy can be found at: [www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf](http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf)

Students needing an accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities. The procedure can be found at: [www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities\\_0.pdf](http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities_0.pdf)

Students needing an accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, in writing, to the Instructor.

## **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy**

*FOIP:* The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) legislation disallows the practice of having students retrieve assignments from a public place, e.g., outside instructor's office, the department office, etc. Term assignments will be returned to students individually, during class or during the instructor's office hours; if students are unable to pick up their assignments from the instructor, they

provide the instructor with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to be used for the return of the assignment.

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

- All assignments will be handled through D2L or personally.
- Their own grades will be available to each student on D2L 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: [suvpaca@ucalgary.ca](mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca)
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: [arts1@ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts1@ucalgary.ca)

The students ombudsman office information can be found at:

<http://www.su.ucalgary.ca/page/affordability-accessibility/su-structure/contact-info>

**Campus Safewalk**

Campus Security, in partnership with the Students' Union, provides the Safewalk service, 24 hours a day, to any location on Campus including the LRT, parking lots, bus zones and University residences. Contact Campus Security at 220-5333 or use a help phone, and Safewalkers or a Campus Security officer will accompany you to your Campus destination.

**Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources**

- Have a question, but not sure where to start? The new Faculty of Arts Students Centre is your information resource for everything in Arts! Drop in at SS 102, call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at [ascarts@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca) you can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210 7625 or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.

Contact for Students Union Representatives for the Faculty of Arts:

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