GEOGRAPHY 425 H (3-0) AREA II

CRITICAL APPROACHES TO DEVELOPMENT

Timetable:FALL SESSIONLec 01Tuesdays 17:00-20:00ES 443

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While these are my set office hours, if you are unable to meet with me during this time, please contact me by phone or email to set up an appointment. I am quite aware that students have divergent schedules, often including work, and I will be as flexible as possible. When we set up an appointment, please take note as to whether it is in my Geography office or Graduate Studies office. If in the latter, if the door is locked, knock or proceed down the hallway to the counter. Let them know that you have an appointment with me and they'll bring you through to my office. If you find that you're unable to keep an appointment, please let me know. (Note: I spend most of my time in Graduate Studies, so that is the best phone number to use).

Course Content: Geography 365 or consent of the Department.

This course will explore the meanings and underlying causes of poverty, and the dimensions of economic and social development processes which lead to underdevelopment. It will examine theories of development, colonisation and strategies of development. The course will then progress thematically on critical issues including globalisation and development, population, gender and generation, resources and the environment, the global economy (including institutions, communities, aid, debt and structural adjustment and movements and flows), urban and rural spaces. Case studies are taken from all areas of the South: Africa, Asia, Middle East, and Latin and South America.

Prerequisite:

Blackboard: see: <u>http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca</u> Required Text:

Potter, R., T. Binns, J. Elliott and D. Smith (2004) *Geographies of Development*, Harlow, UK: Pearson/ Prentice Hall (2nd Edition).

Grading:

I. Exams:	
Midterm I- October 19	15%
Midterm II- November 16	15%
Final Take Home Exam December 7	
(due: December 13)	10%

II. Assignments 1. Book Review (800 words max.) Due: November 2	10%
2. Term Paper	
Due: November 30	40%
3. In Class Participation	10%

It is not necessary to pass each component in order to pass the course.

Grading System:

90-100 A+	77-79 B+	67-69 C+	55-59 D+
85-89 A	74-76 B	64-66 C	50-54 D
80-84 A-	70-73 B-	60-63 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 assignment back via mail, please include an appropriately sized selfaddressed, 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. <u>Grades will not be available at Geography's main office</u>.

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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