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Syllabus for Geography 108 CRN-- 20441
World Regional Geography—Spring 2014
Wednesdays 6:30 PM—9:40 – Room 2735 (3 units)

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Course Description:

World Regional Geography is a survey course which introduces students to the physical and cultural geographic aspects of the world realms. Geography's interdisciplinary approach is used to analyze regions and illustrate their interdependence. (CSU, UC)

Course Objectives:

-Provide an understanding of how world regions are similar and different in regards to politics, culture, and economics.

-Enable the student to develop a better mental map of the world and to be able to identify important regions of the world.

-Enable the student to demonstrate their knowledge on how man has had an impact on the world and environments.

Student Learning Outcomes:

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

MEASURABLE COURSE OBJECTIVES AND MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR GRADE OF "C"

1. Relate the 5 Themes of Geography to the world's regions.
2. Analyze the cultural and physical factors which divide the world into regions.
3. Compare worldwide geographic patterns using an atlas' thematic maps.
4. Appraise the impact and implications of regional problems on world political and economics order.
5. Use geography's interdisciplinary approach to link a region's past to its present.
6. Assess regional environment concerns as they relate to the course topics.

Textbook: Globalization and Diversity – Geography of a Changing World
5th Edition--2014 by Rowntree, Lewis, Price, and Wyckoff

Class Rules: Students are expected to participate actively in classroom discussions. Geography 108 is scheduled to meet 3.10 hrs. You may be dropped from the class if your attendance becomes a problem unless you have made arrangements with me. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to learn about any assignment or test due for the next class meeting. Please call me if you know you are going to be absent more than one meeting. Remember! attendance is very important. Students are responsible for officially withdrawing from class.

All cell phones are to be turned off before the class begins. They are very distracting and cause students to leave the classroom. Please be cooperative in this area. If this problem persists I will ask you to leave the class and you will not be marked present. Plagiarism on writing assignments will not be tolerated and a zero will be assessed on the paper. Any student found to have cheated on an exam will also receive a zero.

Grading: Grades will be based on class participation, outside assignments (maps), quizzes, tests and a final examination. Quizzes and tests will be multiple choice, true or false, matching and short answers (essays). No makeup quizzes or exams will be given unless you have made arrangements with me in advance. There will be some extra credit to be determined by the instructor.

Tests and quizzes = 80% of grade
Outside assignments = 20% of grade

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the teacher and the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP&S) office as soon as possible—(DSP&S, Health Services Bldg. 2100, 355-6312).

Course Schedule:	Test Date
Chapters 1&2- Introduction of the 12 World Regions	01/29/14
Chapter 3- North America	02/12/14
Chapter 4- Latin America	02/26/14
Chapter 6- Sub-Saharan Africa	03/19/14
Chapters 8&9- Europe and Russian Domain	04/16/14
Chapters 11&12 East Asia and South Asia Final	05/14/14