

GEOG 111

Introduction to World Regional Geography

3 Credits

Community College of Baltimore County
Common Course Outline

Description

GEOG 111 – Introduction to World Regional Geography: is a course in which students examine the physical and cultural geographies of the major regions of the world, as well as the interactions among them. The course covers both the physical and environmental characteristics and the political, social, and economic characteristics of the major regions of the world.

Pre-requisites: ACLT 053 or (ESOL 052 and ESOL 054)

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. analyze the five geographic themes of place, location, movement, interaction, and region;
2. map the oceans, continents, and pertinent physical and cultural features and regions;
3. identify the dominant climate types present in the global systems and their characteristics;
4. discuss the role of social institutions, individuals, ideas and inventions, power, economy, and social structure in the regions covered in the course;
5. characterize the various stages of civilization within geographic regions according to what is distinctive about each region;
6. compare and contrast the characteristics of diverse regional cultures and societies;
7. identify how individual and cultural groups infuse technology into physical and cultural landscapes;
8. analyze the evolution of geographic ideas about culture, the state, economics, religion, and the role of the environment in the regions discussed;
9. describe the significance of art, thought, and technology in their social, political, and economic contexts;
10. assess the role and condition of marginalized and minoritized peoples (women, the under classes, and ethnic and religious minorities) of each of the regions covered in the course;
11. integrate a variety of geographical methods, sources, and interpretations;
12. assess the value and role of electronic media in geographical research and analysis;
13. evaluate ethical decisions within the context of global communities and discipline of geography, and
14. find, evaluate, use, and cite information gathered for written and/or oral projects.

Major Topics

- I. Regional Geography Introduction

The Common Course Outline (CCO) determines the essential nature of each course.
For more information, see your professor's syllabus.

- II. Europe
- III. Russia
- IV. North America
- V. South America
- VI. Sub-Saharan Africa
- VII. North Africa / Southwest Asia
- VIII. South Asia
- IX. East Asia
- X. Southeast Asia
- XI. Austral Realm
- XII. Pacific Realm

Course Requirements

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member, but shall include the following, at minimum:

- three exams including a cumulative final exam
- three map quizzes
- one activity requiring student collaboration
- one written assignment or oral presentation which addresses the General Education Outcomes

Written assignments and research projects: Students are required to use appropriate academic resources in their research and cite sources according to the style selected by their professor.

Other Course Information

This course is an approved 3–credit General Education course in the Social and Behavioral Sciences.

One or more assignments will infuse CCBC General Education Program outcomes and will account for a minimum of 10% of the total course grade. The assignment(s) will allow students to demonstrate at least 5 of the 7 General Education program outcomes.

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