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Syllabus for Geography 108
World Regional Geography—Fall 2012
Wednesdays 6:30- 9:40 PM – Room 204 (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: Students will be able 1) to identify the important regions of the world; 2) to describe the impact man has had on the world and how geography has had an impact on man's environment; 3) to compare and contrast the world's regions.

Textbook: Diversity Amid Globalization – World Regions Environment, Development 5th or Sixth Edition--2011 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. a week. 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.

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.

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:

Chapters 1&2- Introduction of the 12 World Regions
Chapter 3- North America
Chapter 4- Latin America
Chapter 6- Sub-Saharan Africa
Chapter 8&9- Europe and Russian Domain
Chapter 11- East Asia
Chapter 12&13- South Asia and South East Asia