

Washtenaw Community College Comprehensive Report

GEO 101 World Regional Geography Effective Term: Fall 2012

Course Cover

Division: Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Department: Social Science

Discipline: Geography

Course Number: 101

Org Number: 11700

Full Course Title: World Regional Geography

Transcript Title: World Regional Geography

Is Consultation with other department(s) required: No

Publish in the Following: College Catalog , Time Schedule , Web Page

Reason for Submission: Three Year Review / Assessment Report

Change Information:

Outcomes/Assessment

Objectives/Evaluation

Rationale: Update course assessment plan.

Proposed Start Semester: Fall 2012

Course Description: This is an introductory course in World Regional Geography which is divided into two parts. In the first portion of the class, students become familiar with the basic principles and concepts of physical and cultural geography which they will employ during the remainder of the semester. In the second part of the class, students survey the world on a region-by-region basis, identifying the specific geographic characteristics such as climate, terrain, population, industry and manufacturing, trade, transportation, and agriculture, which give the individual regions their unique identity.

Course Credit Hours

Variable hours: No

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45

Lab: Instructor: 0 Student: 0

Clinical: Instructor: 0 Student: 0

Total Contact Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45

Repeatable for Credit: NO

Grading Methods: Letter Grades

Audit

Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?: NO (same sections)

College-Level Reading and Writing

College-level Reading & Writing

College-Level Math

Requisites

General Education

MACRAO

MACRAO Social Science

General Education

EMU GenEd Diverse World

General Education Area 5 - Social and Behavioral Science

Assoc in Applied Sci - Area 5

Assoc in Science - Area 5

Assoc in Arts - Area 5

Request Course Transfer

Proposed For:

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify the basic principles and concepts of physical and cultural geography.

Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Test based upon National Council for Geographic Education guidelines

Assessment Date: Winter 2012

Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years

Course section(s)/other population: Random sample of 50% of the sections

Number students to be assessed: All students in selected sections

How the assessment will be scored: Answer Key

Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70% of the students will score 70% or higher.

Who will score and analyze the data: Course Instructors

2. Recognize the specific geographic characteristics of each of the eight world regions (Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Middle East & North Africa, East & West Asia, Southeast Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, South & Central America and North America).

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Course Objectives

1. Identify the basic principles and concepts of physical geography.

Matched Outcomes

2. Identify the basic principles and concepts of cultural geography.

Matched Outcomes

3. Describe how physical and cultural geography shape the character of each region.

Matched Outcomes

4. Identify the characteristics of each of the eight world regions -such as climate, terrain, population, industry and manufacturing, trade transportation and agriculture- which give the regions their unique identity.

Matched Outcomes

5. Identify the location of the major natural features of each of the eight regions.

Matched Outcomes

6. Identify the location of the major man-made features of each of the eight regions.

Matched Outcomes

New Resources for Course

Course Textbooks/Resources

Textbooks

Manuals
Periodicals
Software

Equipment/Facilities

<u>Reviewer</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Faculty Preparer: <i>John Kerr</i>	<i>Faculty Preparer</i>	<i>Dec 07, 2011</i>
Department Chair/Area Director: <i>Randy LaHote</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Dec 09, 2011</i>
Dean: <i>Bill Abernethy</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Dec 12, 2011</i>
Vice President for Instruction: <i>Stuart Blacklaw</i>	<i>Approve</i>	<i>Jan 27, 2012</i>