

Course Code: GEO 140 (IAI S4 901)

Course Title: World Geography

Department: Arts, Media, and Social Sciences

Effective Date: Summer 2026

PCS Code: 1.1 - Baccalaureate/Transfer

CIP Code: 45.0701

Repeatability: 0

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 3-0-3

Credit Hour Distribution:

Lecture: 3

Lab: 0

Clinical: 0

Total: 3

General Course Information

Catalog Description

World places and peoples: world regions examined for their cultural response to the physical environment. Emphasis on technologically developed regions. (Also in Canterbury Program)

General Course Objectives

- To identify basic geographic concepts involving the geographic grid system, the world geographic realms, the physical and cultural landscapes, and urbanization.
- To locate the assigned physical, political, and urban characteristics associated with technologically advanced countries.
- To give the cultural, economic, historical, and political attributes associated with technologically advanced countries.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
None	Placement out of CCS 098	None

Prerequisites

None

Methods of Evaluation

Student will be evaluated by 3 objective tests and 5-10 map quizzes. Exams 25%, Quizzes 30%, Discussions 30%, and In-Class assignments 15%.

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

Fundamentals of World Regional Geography, 4th edition, by Joseph J. Hobbs. 978-1305578265

Course Content

General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Critical Thinking and Information Literacy: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate perspectives, evidence, and implications, and to locate, assess, and use information effectively.
- Global Awareness and Cultural Reasoning: Students will demonstrate their understanding of global issues, gender and sexual orientation, and multicultural perspectives.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Concepts and Geography Defined	1. Explain the literal meaning of geography and understand the character of geography and the task of geographers.	3	0	0
Geography Defined: Major Emphasis, Spatial, Ecological, Regional	1. Describe the elements of location, the geographic grid, time zones, maps, and map scale.	2	0	0
The Natural Landscape	1. Discuss the interface of humanity with the physical environment.	2	0	0
The Cultural Landscape	1. Describe the concept of environmental determinism. 2. Distinguish between core and periphery relationships. 3. Recognize urbanization and regionalization. 4. Identify criteria for establishing landform, climate, and vegetation regions. 5. Understand the importance of rivers, seas, and oceans. 6. List the various mineral resources of the world. 7. Explain the cultural elements of race, language, religion, economics, and politics.	2	0	0
Developed Regions: Europe	1. Discover the physical and cultural landscapes of technologically advanced regions such as Europe.	8	0	0
Developed Regions: Russia	1. Discover the physical and cultural landscapes of technologically advanced regions such as Russia.	6	0	0
Developed Regions: North America (Anglo)	1. Discover the physical and cultural landscapes of technologically advanced regions such as Anglo North America.	6	0	0
Developed Regions: Japan, South Korea, Coastal China, Singapore, Taiwan	1. Discover the physical and cultural landscapes of technologically advanced regions such as Japan, South Korea, Coastal China, Singapore, and Taiwan.	4	0	0
Developed Regions: Australia and New Zealand	1. Discover the physical and cultural landscapes of technologically advanced regions such as Australia and New Zealand.	4	0	0
Regions	1. Discuss the following regions, based on physical and cultural current issues: Europe, Russia, Anglo America, Canada, Middle America, South America, Africa, Middle East, South Asia, East Asia, Southeast Asia, Australia, and New Zealand.	8	0	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
45	0	0