Bemidji State University

GEOG 2200: Introduction to Human Geography

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION
Credits: 3
Lecture Hours/Week: 0
Lab Hours/Week: 0
OJT Hours/Week: *.*
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: Goal 08 - Global Perspective
Emphasizes the study of geographical relationships and interactions of cultural, social, economic, ethnic, and political phenomena. Topical approach to population subgroups, religions, languages, urban and rural settlements, and other attributes of the cultural landscape. Core Curriculum Goal Area(s) 7 & 8.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/26/1997 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS
1. What is Geography?
3. Population Geography Global Patterns of Population Demographic Cycle, LDCs vs MDCs
   Population Controls
4. Human Migration Models of Migration Causes of Migration, Barriers Geography of Refugees
5. Geography of Languages
6. Geography of Religions
7. Geography of Ethnicity
8. Different Sources of Livelihood: Agriculture
   Agricultural Practices in LDCs
   Green Revolution, Global Food Problem
   Agriculture in the Advanced Economies
9. Different Sources of Livelihood: Major Industrial Regions of the World
   High-Tech Industries
10. Economic Development
    Spatial Pattern of Development
11. Medical Geography
    Geography of Health Care
12. Urban Geography
    Urbanized and less Urbanized Worlds
    Causes of Urbanization Geography of Inner City
    Geography of Suburbs Rural-Urban Fringe
13. Political Ordering Geopolitics; International political systems
    State vs. nation Causes of Conflicts
D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. define themes and fundamentals of Human Geography:
   - What is culture, and what does it mean?
   - Spatial interactions and human behavior
   - Populations trends and patterns

2. examine different patterns of diversity:
   - Language and religion
   - Ethnicity and race
   - Cultural identities and landscapes

3. compare patterns of the global economy:
   - Primary economic activities
   - Manufacturing and services
   - Economic development and growth

4. describe the organization and trends of development:
   - Urban structures and systems
   - Political ordering of space

5. analyze human environment interactions and the impact on the planet.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 08 - Global Perspective

1. Describe and analyze political, economic, and cultural elements which influence relations of states and societies in their historical and contemporary dimensions.

2. Demonstrate knowledge of cultural, social, religious and linguistic differences.

3. Understand the role of a world citizen and the responsibility world citizens share for their common global future.

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted