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**Chaminade University**  
**Geography 102 World Regional Geography**

2018

**Instructor:** John Cusick email: jcusick@hawaii.edu

**Required text:** Rowntree et al. (2000). Diversity Amid Globalization

**Course objective and description:** This course introduces concepts and ideas designed to study physical and cultural diversity toward the purpose of increased understanding and appreciation of the world. Each week will combine lectures and group discussions concerning a particular region of the world. Assigned readings and a lecture of the region's environmental diversity will prepare students for understanding landforms, climate, biogeography, human settlement patterns, cultural landscapes, historical periods and events, languages, religions, political and economic systems, and current events.

**Course requirements:**

Reading assignments/ Group projects/ Attendance and Participation (25 points)

Mid-term exam (25 points)

Final exam (25 points)

2 map handouts (25 points)

**Reading Assignments:** Chapters in the book will be assigned for reading prior to the class period. The purpose of the readings is to familiarize students with material that will be presented in further detail in lectures and group discussions. Students are encouraged to participate during class with questions and comments appropriate to the region or its relationship to other issues or regions. Participation accounts for part of the grade so each student should make the effort to become involved with class discussions.

**Group Projects:** Students will discuss topics presented by the instructor and identify several important and/or relevant concepts, examples, and/or ideas related to the topic. Group members will then present these concepts to the class for further discussion. *There are no right or wrong answers in this project, but participation is required.*

**Mid-term exam:** The exam is a combination of multiple choice, true/false, and short essays. Students are encouraged to review their text and lecture notes.

**Final exam:** The exam is a combination of multiple choice, true/false, and short essays. Students are encouraged to review their text and lecture notes. Regular class attendance and good note taking will make these exams easier to organize.

**Map exercises:** There will be a handout and a list of places to be located on a series of maps. The first exercise will be completed in the first week and the second will be completed on the last day of class.

**Grades:**

Total number of points from assignments will determine final grades.

100-90 points	A	69-50 points	D
89-80 points	B	Below 50 points	Fail
79-70 points	C		

Required Essay Question: What are your interests in geography? Where have you traveled as a tourist or student? What places are you interested in and why did you take this course? How can this course help you in your studies?

**Meeting**

**Class Lectures**

One  
Chapters 1-2

Introduction  
The Scope of Geography  
Geographic Concepts

Two  
Chapter 14

Hawai'i/Pacific Basin  
Submit Essay

Three  
Chapters 11, 13

Japan and Northeast Asia  
China and Southeast Asia

Four  
Chapters 9, 10, 12

India and South Asia  
Russia and Central Asia

Five  
Chapters 8  
Week Six  
Chapters 7

Europe  
Submit Mid-term exam

Seven  
Chapters 6, 7

Southwest Asia  
Sub-Saharan Africa

Eight  
Chapters 3, 4, 5

North America  
Latin America

Nine

Review

Ten

In-class Map exam  
Submit Final exam