Geography courses Summer 2018

Geography 1010 (online) Dr. Crista Smith Gen. ed: Social Science

The aim of this course is to enrich students’ global knowledge of geography as well as to develop students’ ability to interpret geographical landscapes. Specifically, students will be exposed to a global survey of population, resource, economic and cultural patterns, and their impacts on economic development. An emphasis will be placed on the distinctions between the technologically advanced and less advanced regions of the world. Regionally specific examples will be used to illustrate the various themes discussed and students are expected to familiarize themselves with fundamental place name geography. Finally, the course will seek to relate current social, economic, and political issues and events in various parts of the world to the geographic processes examined.

Geography 1030 (online) Dr. William Terry Gen. ed: Social Sciences; Cross-Cultural Awareness

World Regional Geography introduces you to major world regions and fundamental geographic concepts. It focuses your thinking about the ways in which the world is organized. It builds your base of general knowledge and orients you to thinking geographically, which means learning about your relationship to the wider world in everyday life. Geography 103 is a survey of the environments, cultures, and human problems of selected world regions, or what your textbook identifies as “geographic realms.” Geographic realms are large areas of the world with significant elements that tie them together. Geographers tend to identify these elements as either cultural or environmental. The geographic realms explored here are the largest regions on the planet; as regions, they have strong elements in common. This course also introduces you to the discipline of geography and gives you new perspectives on how different areas of the world have developed and functioned. Population, environment, the historical development of regional cultures, economic development, and political organization are key themes in this course.