DEPARTMENT OF GLOBAL STUDIES AND GEOGRAPHY

COURSES OFFERED - Spring ‘18 SEMESTER

GEOGRAPHY

What Should You Take First?

Besides our Senior Seminars (and Geog 160), our classes can be taken at any time, whether you just want to try out geography or you want to major or minor in it.

Geog 001 (BH) – World Regional Geography, 3sh
MW 9:05 am – 10:30 am (Section 1)
TR 9:35 am – 11:00 am (Section 2)
TR 4:30 – 5:55 pm – 12:35 pm (Section A)

This course offers an overview of the major regions of the world, their characteristics, and the contemporary human and environmental issues faced by each. Great for anyone who wants to know more about the world. REQUIRED FOR BOTH THE GS AND GEOGRAPHY MAJOR AND MINOR.

Geog 002 (BH) – Human Geography, 3sh
TR 11:10 am - 12:35 pm

An exploration of how society drives environmental and geographical issues. It mainly deals with Population Geography, Political Geography, Economic Geography, Cultural Geography, and Urban and Regional Geography. Required for the Geography Major and Minor. REQUIRED COURSE FOR THE GEOGRAPHY MAJOR.

Geog 004 (BH) – Cultural Geography, 3sh
TR 2:20 pm – 3:45 pm

Cultural geography is one of the main subdisciplines of human geography. At the core of human geography are the concepts of place and space. In this course we will analyze the relationship between culture and the production of the geographic landscape. We also investigate how migration has led to cultural diffusion, and how culture influences perceptions of the natural environment and the usage of natural resources. Lastly, we analyze the cultural norms that underpin the allocation of public and private space, and how these norms in turn influence our sense of space and place.
**Geog 007 – Fun with Maps and GIS, 1sh**  
M  11:15 am - 12:15 pm

This 1-credit Geographical Information Systems (GIS) course introduces non-geography students to the core concepts of ArcView GIS software. Students will create basic maps, exploring the data behind them, and gain an understanding of how GIS is used to visualize real-world features, identify patterns, etc. Taken as a Pass/Fail option.

**Geog 014S – Child Labor in the World Today, 3sh**  
TR  4:30 pm – 5:55 pm

After a general overview of child labor in the world today, we begin a country-by-country approach to this complex issue. (The students participate in the decision about which countries to study in more detail.) We then focus on the country-specific historical and societal context of child labor issues, coupled with a study of governmental policies and nongovernmental organizations’ strategies to help alleviate the problems related to child labor, such as poverty and inadequate access to education. The course is based on lectures, documentary films and discussions, and includes one semester hour of instruction in library research methods.

**Geog 060 (BH) – Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS), 3sh**  
MW  12:50 pm - 2:15 pm (Section 1)  
MW  4:30 pm – 5:55 pm (Section A)

This course introduces students to GIS foundations, concepts, and application techniques. GIS integrates several information technologies, such as mapping and database management systems, providing spatial information. GIS is increasingly an essential tool in a wide array of professional fields. Required for the Geography Major. Highly recommended for majors in Urban Ecology, Geology, Marketing, and International Business. **REQUIRED COURSE FOR THE GEOGRAPHY MAJOR (COUNTS FOR GS MAJOR).**

**GEOG 080 (BH) - Transport Geography, 3sh**  
MW  2:55 pm - 4:20 pm

This periodic course looks at contemporary economic processes, such as the globalization of trade and the emergence of economic blocs, have been accompanied by significant growth in the movements of people, freight and information. Transport geography is concerned about these movements along with the infrastructures, institutions and corporations supporting them. It tries to link spatial constraints and attributes with the origin, the destination, the extent, and the nature and purpose of movements. Transportation, therefore, has varied and complex impacts over populations, economies and geography.
Coping with rapid urbanization and the uncontrolled growth of cities, poses one of the greatest geographical challenges facing the nations of the developing world. This course introduces students to the study of urbanization in the developing world and explores the urban problems such as insufficient infrastructure, unemployment, lack of housing and inadequate social services that occur in these cities. The course has a regional focus and looks at the development of cities in Latin America, Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, and North Africa and the Middle East, highlighting each regions distinctive urban patterns and problems. The last section of the course looks at possible solutions and policies that could be adopted to help alleviate the problems of rapid urbanization and poverty in the cities of the developing world.

**Geog 107 – Urban Geography of Western Europe, 3sh**  
**Study Abroad Option**

The course examines the organization of cities and urban areas in Western Europe. Topical concerns that are discussed include affordable housing, urban planning, transportation, sustainability, segregation, and the problems of increasing urban inequality. The course also draws on specific case studies, including detailed discussion of urban issues in Barcelona, Paris, London, and Berlin, and looks at the ways in which globalization is affecting the urban culture and work opportunities in the cities under review.

**Geog 113 C – Geography of East & Southeast Asia – TBA, 3sh**  
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This course examines East and Southeast Asia, commonly known as Pacific Asia. Pacific Asian societies have experienced various phases of development since the end of World War II. Topics include socioeconomic features of: Japan, China, South Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and other countries such as Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam and the Philippines. Problems and prospects of development in the region as well as issues related to urbanization, transportation, agriculture and resource development are covered.

**GEOG 114 (BH, CC) - GEOGRAPHY OF SOUTH ASIA, 3sh**  
**TR** 9:35 am – 11 am

Analyzes the human geography of South Asia, (i.e., the countries of Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Maldives). Emphasis will be on cultural, economic and political geography. Topics covered include natural resources, religion, gender roles, migration, governance, trade, development, child labor and contemporary slavery.
Geog 122 (BH) – Western Europe, 3sh
Study Abroad Option

Analysis of the geographic factors affecting the history, culture, demography and economic development of Western Europe and its various regions and countries. Topics include, population, migration, urbanization and cities, physical geography, political structures and development, the European Union and economic geography.

Geog 135 (BH) – Economic Geography, 3sh
MW 4:30 pm – 5:55pm

Theory and analysis of the location of economic activities; distribution and hierarchy of central places; land use; delineation, structure and growth of economic regions.

COUNTS TOWARD THE MAJOR IN ECONOMICS, GEOGRAPHY AND GS

Geog 140 (BH,CC) – Geography of Latin America, 3sh
TR 2:20 pm – 3:45pm

Study of the physical and human geographic roots of Latin American societies, from Mexico to the southern cone of South America. Explores the forces that shaped this unique region and considers its role in the contemporary world. Impact of historical geography since pre-Columbian period on modern Latin America. Economic and political geography in relation to other world regions. Changing human landscapes and social transformations currently affecting many of the area's inhabitants.

Geog 145 (BH, CC) – Geography of Africa, 3sh
MW 6:30 pm – 7:55pm

This course studies Africa’s diverse human and physical landscapes, focusing on the interaction between the two. The cultural, environmental, economic, social, political, and population geographies will be analyzed.

Courses Requiring Prerequisites:

Geog 100 – Honors Essay – 3sh
TBA

Research and writing of a substantial essay in the field of geography.

Geog 159(IS) – Cartographic Communication, 3sh
MW 2:55 pm – 4:20 pm

Maps and geographic visualizations are increasingly common in everyday life and many professional careers. Being able to interpret and evaluate these complex, data-heavy graphics is important to being part of modern society. Students will evaluate and create professional-grade maps for use in professional and popular contexts using Geographic
Information Systems (GIS) and graphic design techniques. The course covers tools, data sources, map projections, cartographic color, typography, and layout. In addition, students will learn about the social history and political and ethical implications of mapmaking. The course emphasizes hands-on GIS work.

**Geog 160 – Intermediate Geographic Information Systems**  
MW 12:50 pm – 2:15 pm  
This is highly recommended for students wanting to further expand their knowledge about GIS.

**Prerequisite(s)/Course Notes:**  
Geog 60 is a prerequisite for the class.

**Geog 170 – Advanced Geographic Information Systems – 3sh**  
TBA  
This advanced course covers GIS foundations, concepts, and application techniques in-depth. Primarily focuses upon the professional applications of GIS technology, such as project management, geodatabase creation, advanced cartography, and data analysis. Students acquire proficiency in applying GIS to the analysis of problems in a wide array of fields. Students may choose projects related to their area of interest (e.g., geography, sustainability, ecology, geology, history, etc.). Geog 160 is a prerequisite for the class.

**Geog 190 – Internship in Geography – 3sh**  
TBA  
This work-study program aims at providing students with an opportunity to apply academic and theoretical knowledge to practical situations.

**Geog 191 – Sem Geography Methodology, 3sh**  
W 2:55 pm – 4:20 pm  
Introduction to geographic research. Sources of material and techniques of geographic analysis. Readings in past and recent geographic literature. A comprehensive examination and the completion of a research report are required. The research report has three components: a proposal which includes an oral presentation to fellow students, a final written report, and an oral presentation of research findings to fellow students and geography faculty.  
**Required for Geography majors. Required for all seniors in Global Studies who are planning on doing an Honors thesis (Geog and/or GS 100).**
Prerequisite(s)/Course Notes:
18 s.h. in courses recognized as part of the geography program, with a geography GPA of 3.0 or above; or by permission of chairperson of Global Studies and Geography. A minimum of 28 hours of work (for each sh of credit) in an approved academic, government, non-government or research institution is combined with classroom meetings, reading and writing assignments including an in-depth term paper that situates the internship experience within the broader framework of geography scholarship.

GLOBAL STUDIES

What Should You Take First?

Besides our Senior Seminars (and GS 100, GS 190), our classes can be taken at any time, whether you just want to try out global studies or you want to major or minor in it.

These two courses can be taken in any sequence. Both of these classes are highly relevant to a wide variety of majors:

**GS 001 (IS) - Introduction to Global Studies, 3sh**
MW 12:50 pm - 2:15 pm (Section 1)
MW 4:30 pm - 5:55 pm (Section A)

This course introduces students to different perspectives on global studies, exposing them to critical global economic and political issues and challenges. It also examines globalization at global, regional, national, and individual levels.

**REQUIRED FOR THE MAJOR AND MINOR ALSO COUNTS TOWARD THE GEOGRAPHY MAJOR/MINOR**

**GS 002 (CC, IS) - Cultural Globalization – 3sh**
TR 9:35 am - 11:00 am (Section 1)
TR 11:10 am - 12:35 pm (Section 2)

Taking an interdisciplinary approach, examines the effects of global culture on cultural formation throughout the world (with particular attention to the “non-Western” world).

**REQUIRED FOR THE MAJOR AND MINOR ALSO COUNTS TOWARD THE GEOGRAPHY MAJOR/MINOR**

Other Courses

**GS 104M (IS) - Globalization & Cinema – 3sh**
W 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Online Hybrid Course

This seminar course will analyze the impact of globalization on the nature of work in America by focusing on important American movies from the last three decades, together
with two key texts, *The Unwinding* by George Packer and *Pivotal Decade* by Judith Stein. These two texts and the selected movies (such as, *Network, Roger and Me, Falling Down,* and *Wall Street*) will form the backdrop for each of the weekly seminar topics.

**GS 108 (CC, IS) - Globalization and Human Trafficking – 3sh**

*Study abroad option*

This course will expose students to the phenomenon of human trafficking in the context of an increasingly globalized world. Human trafficking includes the sex trade and exploitation of women and children, trafficking in babies and children for purposes of adoption, and international trade of human organs, as well as trafficking for the purpose of labor exploitation. The course includes an examination of the definitions, history, and development of trafficking in human beings in the context of economic and political globalization. It will also assess the major international agreements and legal mechanisms that are employed to address human trafficking around the world. Interdisciplinary in nature, the course will include lectures, readings, debate, and guest speakers from international organizations dealing with human trafficking.

**GS 109 (CC, IS) - Globalization and Human Rights – 3sh**

*Study abroad option*

This course deals with a broad range of issues and conflicts that can be understood within the framework of human rights in an increasingly globalized world, including the following: education; immigration; housing; the environment; and the protection of women, children, and minorities or marginalized peoples from discrimination, torture, and disenfranchisement. The course examines the definitions, history, and evolution of human rights as well as the major international agreements and legal mechanisms and organizations that are employed to monitor human rights around the world. In addition to lectures, readings, and debate, the course includes guest speakers from international agencies.

**GS 120 (IS) - iGlobalization: Moving the Things We Buy – 3sh**

*MW 2:55 pm - 4:20 pm*

This course is an introduction to rapidly evolving global transport and communication systems. It highlights the importance of transportation and distribution management within globalization, trade, and logistics of corporations. Also explored is the effect of new communication modes on trade and culture. This course is particularly relevant to majors in Marketing, International Business.

**Courses Requiring Prerequisites:**

**GS 100 – Honors Essay – 3sh**

*TBA*
Research and writing of a substantial essay in the field of global studies.

**Prerequisite(s)/Course Notes:**
GEOG 191 or permission of the department chairperson. Open only to qualified global studies majors who have attained senior standing, who wish to graduate with departmental honors, and who secure, before registration, written permission of the chairperson and of the instructor who will supervise the essay; cumulative grade point average of at least 3.4; minimum grade point average of 3.5 in the global studies major. May not be taken on a Pass/D+/D/Fail basis.

**GS 180 (IS) - Senior Seminar in Global Studies – 3sh**
M 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

The Senior Seminar in Global Studies and Research Methodology is designed for senior global studies majors. This seminar course informs global studies majors on how to conduct detailed qualitative and quantitative research on global studies topics and also examines their understanding of the theoretical aspects of the subject. The seminar provides an introduction on how to set up research questions, gather and analyze different types of data. A comprehensive examination and the completion of a research report are required. The research report has three components: a proposal which includes oral presentations to fellow students, a final written report, and an oral presentation of research findings to fellow students.

**Prerequisite(s)/Course Notes:**
GS 001, 002, and 21 completed sh in courses recognized as part of the GS program, or permission of the director of Global Studies.

**Open only to GS Majors. Required for the Global Studies Major.**

**GS 190 - Internship in Global Studies – 3sh**

This work-study program aims at providing students with an opportunity to apply academic and theoretical knowledge to practical situations. A minimum of 28 hours of work (for each semester hour of credit) in an approved academic, government, non-government or research institution is combined with weekly classroom meetings, and reading and writing assignments, including an in-depth term paper that situates the internship experience within the broader framework of global studies scholarship.

**Prerequisite(s)/Course Notes:**
Eighteen (18) sh in courses recognized as part of the Global Studies program, with a global studies GPA of 3.0 or above, or by permission of director of Global Studies.