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General Syllabus

GEOG 31033 Geography of Globalization

Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Laboratory Hours: 0

Prerequisite(s): GEOG 21003 World Regional Geography
or GEOG 11103 Human Geography
Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

A survey of the phenomenon of globalization from the ancient world to the global interconnectivity of the world today.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Define globalization.
2. Describe globalization's history.
3. Describe the tools of globalization.
4. Describe the impacts of globalization on Western and developing nations.
5. Describe the structure and identify the causes of economic globalization.
6. Identify the ways in which globalization is challenging current political structure.
7. Analyze the impacts of globalization on world cultures and the physical environment.
8. Identify and discuss social problems which are being generated by globalization.
9. Analyze and debate the issues surrounding globalization.
10. Describe the linkages between globalization and terrorism.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Communication Skills (written and oral)

Students will participate in and lead class discussion regarding all aspects of globalization and the subsequent impact on the earth and its peoples.

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will study globalization and the impact on human history, culture, government and physical and economic systems.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Defining globalization
- B. Globalization across space
- C. Globalization across time
- D. Tools of globalization
- E. Positive and negative impacts of globalization on Western and developing nations
- F. Development, structure, and ramifications of economic globalization
- G. Globalization and political structures; e.g., nation-state, trans-state governance
- H. Globalization and internal and international migration
- I. Positive and negative impacts of globalization on world cultures
- J. Globalization and shifting social arrangements of families and gender roles
- K. Social problems generated by globalization
- L. Globalization and terrorism