



School of Arts & Science
SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT
GEOG 105-D01
Geography of British Columbia
2008W

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Distinguish between regional and topical geography.
2. Use appropriate techniques and information sources in the geographic study of British Columbia.
3. Describe the physical and human geography of British Columbia.
4. Describe and analyze, using geographic themes and approaches, topics related to the Geography of British Columbia, such as resource management and use, settlement patterns and development, and regional identities and issues.

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts:

McGillivray, Brett. *British Columbia: People and Landscapes in Transition* (2nd Ed.). Vancouver: UBC Press. 2005.

(b) Other:

Geography 105-D01 Assignments (Winter 2008)

4. Course Content and Schedule

Thurs. Jan. 10	Orientation to Geography 105 Distributed Education
Week of Jan. 14	Approaches to Understanding British Columbia
Week of Jan. 21	Physical Geography of British Columbia
Week of Jan. 28	Physical Geography of British Columbia
Week of Feb. 4	Settlement Processes and Patterns
Week of Feb. 11	Utopian Settlements in British Columbia
Week of Feb. 18	The Mining and Energy Industry

Week of Feb. 25	The Forest Resource and Industry
Week of Mar. 3	The Fishery Resource and Industry
Week of Mar. 10	Agriculture in British Columbia
Week of Mar. 17	The Tourism Industry in British Columbia
Week of Mar. 24	Urban British Columbia: Vancouver
Week of Mar. 31	Urban British Columbia: Resource Communities
Week of Apr. 7	Exam Review

Readings

Week of Jan. 14	- Chapter 1
Week of Jan. 21	- Pages 24 - 34
Week of Jan. 28	- Pages 34 - 40
Week of Feb. 4	- Chapter 3
Week of Feb. 11	- No Reading
Week of Feb. 18	- Chapters 10 & 11
Week of Feb. 25	- Chapter 8
Week of Mar. 3	- Chapter 9
Week of Mar. 10	- Chapter 12
Week of Mar. 17	- Chapter 14
Week of Mar. 24	- No Reading
Week of Mar. 31	- No Reading

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a) Assignments - 40% of the course grade

There are four assignments in the course. Each assignment varies in type and topic. The percentage value for each assignment is as follows:

Assignment # 1 (10%); # 2 (12%); # 3 (9%); and # 4 (9%). The due dates for each assignment is in the online course schedule.

(b) Exams - 60% of the course grade

There are two exams in the course. The Midterm Exam, worth 27% of the course grade, will cover Approaches to Mining and Energy. The Final Exam, worth 33% of the course grade, will cover The Forest Industry to Resource Communities.

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2

50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at camosun.ca for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.