

School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

GEOG 104-01 Geography of Canada 2009W

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Barry Weaver		
(b)	Office Hours:	Tuesday 11:00am – 2:00pm Wednesday 10:30am – 12:30pm Other Times By Arrangement		
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

- 1. Identify and explain the concepts and techniques of regional geography.
- 2. Use appropriate techniques and information sources in the geographic study of Canada.
- 3. Identify, describe and analyze the regional variations in the physical and human geography of Canada.
- 4. Describe and analyze, using geographic themes and approaches, contemporary Canadian issues.

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts

Bone, Robert. *The Regional Geography of Canada (4th Edition)*. Don Mills: Oxford University Press. 2008.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Week 1 (Jan 5 & 7) Introduction to Geography 104

The Regional Geographic Themes of Canada

Reading: Chapter 1

Week 2 (Jan. 12 & 14) The Physical Geography of Canada

Reading: pp. 31 - 45

The Physical Geography of Canada

Week 3 (Jan. 19 & 21) The Physical Geography of Canada

Reading: pp. 46 - 57

The Physical Geography of Canada

Week 4 (Jan. 26 & 28) The Human Geography of Canada – Population

Reading: pp. 138 - 150

The Human Geography of Canada – Immigration

Reading: pp. 154 - 168

Week 5 (Feb. 2 & 4) Atlantic Canada

Reading: Chapter 9

Atlantic Canada

Week 6 (Feb. 9 & 11) Atlantic Canada

Exam #1

Week 7 (Feb. 16 & 18) Quebec

Reading: Chapter 6

Work Time for Assignment # 2 – Wed. February 18th

Week 8 (Feb. 23 & 25) Quebec

Quebec

Week 9 (Mar. 2 & 4) Ontario

Reading: Chapter 5

Ontario

Week 10 (Mar. 9 & 11) Ontario

Exam # 2

Week 11 (Mar. 16 & 18) Western Canada

Reading: Chapter 8

Inclass Portion of Assignment #3 – Wednesday Mar. 18

Week 12 (Mar. 23 & 25) Western Canada

Western Canada

Week 13 (Mar. 30 & The North

Apr. 1) Reading: Chapter 10

The North

Week 14 (Apr. 6 & 8) The North

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a) Assignments – 35% of the course grade

There are four assignments in the course. The assignments vary in type. The date for the explanation of each assignment is shown on the attached page as well as the due date. Each assignment will be handed out in class on that date.

(b) Exams – 65% of the course grade

There are three exams in the course. Exams # 1 and 2 will be held in class during the semester and Exam # 3 will be held in the Final Exam Period in April. The dates for Exams # 1 and 2 are shown in the course schedule. Exam # 1 is worth 20% of the course grade; Exam # 2 is worth 20% of the course grade; and Exam # 3 is worth 25% of the course grade. More information about the exams is shown in the attached page.

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		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	Incomplete: 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	In progress: 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	Compulsory Withdrawal: 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.

Please note that the last day to withdraw without incurring a Failing Grade is Monday March 9, 2009.

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.