



School of Arts & Science
SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT
GEOG 105-D01
Geography of British Columbia
2009W

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Barry Weaver		
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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) Text:

McGillivray, Brett. *Geography of British Columbia* 2nd ed.
Vancouver: UBC Press. 2005

(b) Other

Geography 105 D01 Winter 2009: Assignments

Available for purchase in the college bookstore

4. Course Content and Schedule

Week 1: Orientation
Week 2: Approaches to Understanding British Columbia
Week 3: The Physical Geography of B.C.: Landform Regions
Week 4: The Physical Geography of B.C.: Climate Regions
Week 5: Settlement Processes and Patterns: The Fur Trade & Gold Rushes
Week 6: Settlement Patterns and Processes: Utopian Settlement
Week 7: Mining and Energy Development
Week 8: The Forest Resource and Industry
Week 9: The Fishery Resource and Industry
Week 10: Tourism
Week 11: Agriculture
Week 12: Urban British Columbia: Vancouver
Week 13: Urban British Columbia: Resource Communities
Week 14: Exam Review

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

- (a) Assignments – 40% of the course grade
4 Assignments worth 40% of the course grade
- (b) Exams – 60% of the course grade
Midterm Exam worth 27% of the course grade
Final Exam worth 33% of the course grade

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. <i>(For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)</i>
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.