



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Arts & Science
Department of Social
Sciences

GEOG-111-D02 and D03
Natural Hazards
Fall 2020

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/geog.html>

Ω Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

1. Instructor Information

(a) Instructor	Trisha Jarrett
(b) Office hours	Tuesday 11:00-1:00, Thursday 11:00-1:00
(c) Location	online
(d) Phone	250-370-3378 (leave message) Alternative: _____
(e) E-mail	jarrett@camosun.bc.ca
(f) Website	http://online.camosun.ca

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Analyze the natural environmental systems that underlie natural hazards.
2. Explain how human development and planning influence natural hazard risk.
3. Apply some basic geographic analysis techniques related to natural hazards.

3. Required Materials

(a) Recommended text:

Keller, E.A., D.E. DeVecchio and J.J. Clague, 2015. Natural Hazards, 3rd Canadian Edition. Toronto: Pearson Education Canada, 504 pp.

- This is available in the book store, as an e-book or hardcopy.
- There also will be a reserve copy in the library. Access to the library's physical collections will be limited this fall. Students will be able to arrange to pick up copies of course reserves for a 24hr loan, and items in the main collection can be requested via Books By Mail.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Course content and schedule is posted on D2L. Please consult the first module, Course Introduction, for full details. The course is broken in to 14 modules. Each week, there will be a topic webpage that

outlines the following for each module: learning outcomes, assigned readings and resources, learning activities and due dates.

There are two exams for the course. Both will be open-book, take home style exams with a time limit. There are quizzes on D2L for each module.

There is a course discussion board. You will be encouraged to participate on a weekly basis to discuss course content related to current and past natural hazards case studies.

Generally, there will be one lab assignment completed per lecture topic. Lab assignments will focus on applied learning in the area of physical geography, natural hazard assessment and mitigation. Please be prepared at home by having the following items: ruler, calculator, pencil crayons or highlighters. The assignment due date will be at the beginning of the subsequent lab period, unless otherwise instructed. A penalty of 10% per day will be imposed on late assignments. Late assignments will not be accepted after I have returned them marked. Anyone cheating or copying work will receive a mark of zero on the assignment.

Collaborating and supporting your peers is encouraged. Copying, plagiarism and/or cheating is not permitted. Please familiarize yourself with Camosun's student conduct policies. This is also posted on D2L.

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a)	Labs	30%
(b)	Participation (Discussion Board)	10%
(c)	Case Study Assignment	15%
(c)	Exam 1	15%
(d)	Exam 2	15%
(e)	Quizzes	15%

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Competency Based Grading System

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

8. College Supports, Services and Policies



Immediate, Urgent, or Emergency Support

If you or someone you know requires immediate, urgent, or emergency support (e.g. illness, injury, thoughts of suicide, sexual assault, etc.), **SEEK HELP**. Resource contacts @ <http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html> or <http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html#urgent>

College Services

Camosun offers a variety of health and academic support services, including counselling, dental, disability resource centre, help centre, learning skills, sexual violence support & education, library, and writing centre. For more information on each of these services, visit the **STUDENT SERVICES** link on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/>

College Policies

Camosun strives to provide clear, transparent, and easily accessible policies that exemplify the college's commitment to life-changing learning. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of College policies. Policies are available on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/>. Education and academic policies include, but are not limited to, Academic Progress, Admission, Course Withdrawals, Standards for Awarding Credentials, Involuntary Health and Safety Leave of Absence, Prior Learning Assessment, Medical/Compassionate Withdrawal, Sexual Violence and Misconduct, Student Ancillary Fees, Student Appeals, Student Conduct, and Student Penalties and Fines.

A. GRADING SYSTEMS <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html>

The following two grading systems are used at Camosun College:

1. 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		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

2. Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes

Grade	Description
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

B. 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 at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html> 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 are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
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.