

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:  Fall 1993  
 COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:  September 2005  
 COURSE TO BE REVIEWED:  September 2009  
 (Four years after implementation date)

**OFFICIAL COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION**

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.  
 Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department and the material will vary  
 - see course syllabus available from instructor

FACULTY/DEPARTMENT:	<b>Geography</b>	
<b>GEOG 242</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>3</b>
COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FORMER COURSE NUMBER	UCFV CREDITS
<b>Economic Geography</b>		
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE		

**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:**

This course introduces the basic concepts and theories of economic geography. Attention is directed to an analysis of the spatial aspects of primary resources, agriculture, energy, manufacturing and services in the contemporary capitalist economy. The objective will be to understand the impact of globalization on economic activity at local, regional and national and international scales.

PREREQUISITES: **GEOG 140**  
 COREQUISITES: **N/A**

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S)	SERVICE COURSE TO:
(a) Replaces: <u>N/A</u> (Course #)	<u>(Department/Program)</u>
(b) Cannot take: <u>N/A</u> For further credit. (Course #)	<u>(Department/Program)</u>

TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: <b>45</b>	TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION
STRUCTURE OF HOURS	LENGTH OF COURSE: _____
Lectures: <b>24</b> Hrs	HOURS PER DAY: _____
Seminar: <b>12</b> Hrs	
Laboratory: <b>N/A</b> Hrs	
Field Experience: <b>9</b> Hrs	
Student Directed Learning: <b>N/A</b> Hrs	
Other (Specify): <b>N/A</b> Hrs	
<b>Total Hours</b> <b>45</b>	

MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT: **36**

EXPECTED FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERINGS: **once a year**

**WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only)**  Yes  No

**WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department)**  Yes  No

**TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE:**  Yes  No

**AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:**

Course Designer(s): Dr. Ken Brealey Chairperson: Raymond Welch (Curriculum Committee)

Department Head: Dr. Sandy Vanderburgh Dean: Dr. Virginia Cooke

PAC Approval in Principle Date: \_\_\_\_\_ PAC Final Approval Date: October 29, 2004

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**LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- to provide students with a basic understanding of the scope and method of economic geography
- to apply quantitative and qualitative models to an analysis of the capitalist mode of production in the context of a globalizing economy and local responses to same
- to make sense of how the capitalist mode of production creates particular landscapes of accumulation at local, national and international scales
- to show how those landscapes are inherently uneven and what this means for political, cultural and social life in developed, semi-developed and developing countries alike
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**METHODS:**

This course is taught in a lecture/seminar format. Lectures draw on material from the text and identify specialized topics that are taken up in the seminar through student discussion. Students are also expected to participate in a class field trip.

**PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):**

Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR

Yes

No

**METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:**

Challenge exam and/or portfolio assessment

**TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:**

[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

Knox, P. 2004 The Geography of the World Economy 4<sup>th</sup> Ed., (London: University of Oxford Press)

**SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:**

Field Trip Fee

**STUDENT EVALUATION:**

[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]

Pres/Part	20%
Term Paper	30%
Midterm	20%
Final	30%

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**COURSE CONTENT:**

[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]

- Wk 1: Introduction to the course; doing economic geography in a globalizing world.
- Wk 2: Global, local, and everywhere between; static and dynamic explanations of geo-economic change.
- Wk 3: States, markets and regional motors; geographical patterns and processes in the world economy.
- Wk 4: Pre-capitalist foundations, the industrial revolution, and the consolidation of 'organized capitalism'
- Wk 5: The globalization of production, and the emergence of 'advanced capitalism'.
- Wk 6: Geographies in flux; the spatial reorganization of the core economies.
- Wk 7: Midterm.
- Wk 8: The unequal dynamics of interdependence; transformation of the peripheral economies.
- Wk 9: Field Trip.
- Wk 10: Agriculture and development in the periphery - the primary concerns?
- Wk 11: Another Faustian bargain?; industrialization and spatial change in the developing world.
- Wk 12: Transnational integration; economy, ecology, and the theory and practice of globalization.
- Wk 13: *Homo economicus* in the global village; conclusion of course.