



COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2007
 COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2012
 COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: June 2018
(six years after UEC approval) *(month, year)*

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE 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 – see course syllabus available from instructor

GEOG 300	Geography	4
COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	UFV CREDITS
Special Topics in Geography		
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE		

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course provides students with an opportunity to explore a topic or subfield in a new and significant area of geographical research and scholarship. Topics will be chosen from a wide range of physical, human, regional, and technical areas in geography. Course offerings may include topics such as the Geography of Transportation; Conservation and Development; the Geography of Crime and Place; or the Geography of Agriculture, among others. Students cannot repeat the same version of GEOG 300 (e.g. two GEOG 300G offerings) for credit. Field trips outside of class time may be required. Please refer to department website for field trip scheduling information.

PREREQUISITES: Any two 200-level Geography courses.
 COREQUISITES:
 PRE or COREQUISITES:

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):

- (a) Replaces: _____
- (b) Cross-listed with: _____
- (c) Cannot take: _____ for further credit.

SERVICE COURSE TO: *(department/program)*

TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: 60

STRUCTURE OF HOURS:

Lectures:	<u>24</u>	Hrs
Seminar:	<u>28</u>	Hrs
Laboratory:	_____	Hrs
Field experience:	<u>8</u>	Hrs
Student directed learning:	_____	Hrs
Other (specify):	_____	Hrs

TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION:

Length of course: _____
 Hours per day: _____

OTHER:

Maximum enrolment: 28
 Expected frequency of course offerings: Once every year
(every semester, annually, every other year, etc.)

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

Course designer(s): Dr. Michelle Rhodes

Department Head: Dr. Michelle Rhodes

Date approved: March 26, 2012

Supporting area consultation (Pre-UEC)

Date of meeting: April 13, 2012

Curriculum Committee chair: Tetsuomi Anzai

Date approved: April 13, 2012

Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte

Date approved: April 13, 2012

Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval

Date of meeting: June 22, 2012

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Describe the subject matter's place within and relevance to the field of Geography.
2. Provide written and verbal explanation of the core concepts of the topic of study.
3. Critically examine the geographer's approach to the subject, with particular emphasis on methods, theory, and applications.
4. Utilize field and library research techniques within the specific field of study.
5. Work collaboratively to identify a research question, and to investigate and present the findings of a research process.
6. Identify and integrate primary and secondary data as part of a larger research project.

METHODS: *(Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.)*

GEOG 300 is primarily a lecture and seminar course. Students will be expected to read a sizable portion of the course reading list, critically research, assess, and summarize material, and present reflections and conclusions in class. Depending on course content, fieldwork will likely be expected.

METHODS OF OBTAINING PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

Examination(s) Portfolio assessment Interview(s) Other (specify):

PLAR cannot be awarded for this course for the following reason(s):

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS: *[Textbook selection varies by instructor. Examples for this course might be:]*

Sample textbook requirements for GEOG 300G: Geography of Transportation

Jean Paul Rodrigue, Claude Comtois, and Brian Slack. 2009. *The Geography of Transport Systems*. 2nd Edition. Routledge.
Richard Gilbert and Anthony Perl. 2008. *Transport Revolutions: Moving People and Freight Without Oil*. Earthscan.
Richard Knowles, Jon Shaw and Iain Docherty. 2008. *Transport Geographies: Motilities, Flows and Spaces*. Blackwell Publishing
Peter Newman and Jeffrey Kenworthy. 1999. *Sustainability and Cities: Overcoming Automobile Dependence*. Island Press.
Vukan R. Vuchic. 1999. *Transportation for Livable Cities*. Rutgers.

Partial reading and reference list for GEOG 300I: Geography of Crime and Place

Journals:

- Geography and Public Safety

Articles:

- Brownlow, Alex. 2005. "A Geography of Men's Fear," *Geoforum* 36 (5): 581-592.
- Cahill, M.E., and M.F. Mulligan. 2003. "The Determinants of Crime in Tucson, Arizona," *Urban Geography* 7(1): 582-610.
- Cao, Lan. 2004. "The Transnational and Sub-national in Global Crimes," *Berkeley Journal of International Law* 22 (1): 59-97.
- Ceccato, V. 2005. "Assessing the Geography of Vandalism: Evidence from a Swedish city," *Urban Studies* 42: 1637-1656.
- -----, 2004. "Crime in Border Regions: the Scandinavian case of Oresund 1998-2001," *Annals, Association of American Geographers*, 94: 807-826.
- -----, and P. Signoretta. 2002. "Exploring Offence Statistics in Stockholm City Using Spatial Analysis Tools," *Annals, Association of American Geographers* 92: 29-51.
- Craglia, M. 2001. "Modelling High Intensity Crime Areas in English Cities," *Urban Studies* 38: 1921-41.
- -----, and P. Signoretta. 2005. "Modelling high intensity crime areas: comparing police perceptions with offence/offender data in Sheffield," *Environment & Planning A* 37(3): 503-524.
- Harries, Kieth. 2005. Extreme spatial variations in crime density in Baltimore County, MD. *Geoforum* [UK].
- -----, 2004a. Police Officers' Perceptions of Maps and Aerial Photographs," *International Journal of Police Science and Management*, 6:37-50. With P. Canter.
- -----, 2004b. "Violence Change and Cohort Trajectories: Baltimore neighborhoods, 1990-2000," *Urban Geography*, 25:14-30.
- -----, 1993. "Geography, Homicide, and Execution: The US experience, 1930-1987," *Geoforum* 24 (2): 205-213.
- Fagan, Jeffrey, and Garth Davies, 2004. "A Natural History of Neighbourhood Violence," *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Violence* 20 (2): 127-147.
- Godlewski, A., Moore, J., and C. Bednasek. 2010. Cultivating Ignorance of Aboriginal Realities. *Canadian Geographer* 54 (4): 417-440.
- Hall, T. 2010. Economic Geography and Organized Crime: A critical review. *Geoforum* 41 (6): 841-845.
- Hall, T. 2010. Where the Money Is: Geographies of Organised Crime. *Geography* 95 (1): 4-13.
- Helsley, Robert W. and William C. Strange. 1999. "Gated Communities and the Economic Geography of Crime." *Journal of Urban Economics*, 46(1), 80-105.
- Herbert, S. 1996. "The Normative Ordering of Police Territoriality: Making and marking space with the Los Angeles police department," *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 86: 567-582.
- Panelli, Ruth, Jo Little, and Anna Kraack. 2004. "A Community Issue? Rural women's feelings of safety and fear in New Zealand," *Gender, Place and Culture* 11 (3): 445-467.

Textbooks, references, materials continued:

- Papachristos, A., et al. 2011. More Coffee, Less Crime? The relationship between gentrification and neighbourhood crime rates in Chicago, 1991-2005. *City and Community* 10 (3): 215-240.
- Peters, E. 2005. Indigeneity and Marginalization: Planning for and with urban Aboriginals in Canada. *Progress in Planning* 63 (4): 327-404.
- Ratcliffe, J., and Breen, C. 2011. Crime Diffusion and Displacement: Measuring the Side Effects of Police Operations. *Professional Geographer* 63 (2): 230-243.
- Sharpe, B. 2000. Geographies of Criminal Victimization in Canada. *Canadian Geographer* 44 (4): 418-428.
- Sirpa, Tani. 2002. "Whose Place is This Space? Life in the street prostitution area of Helsinki, Finland." *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 26 (2): 343-359.
- Taniguchi, Travis, et al. 2011. Gang Set Space, Drug Markets, and Crime around Drug Corners in Camden. *Journal of Crime and Delinquency* 48 (3): 327-363.
- Valentine, Gill. 1989. "The Geography of Women's Fear," *Area* 21: 385-390.
- Warf, Barney, and Cynthia Waddell. 2002. "Heinous Spaces, Perfidious Spaces: The Sinister landscapes of serial killers," *Social and Cultural Geography* 3(3): 323-345.
- Warrington, M. 2001 "I must get out": the geographies of domestic violence," *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 26.3, 365-382.

Books:

- Amster, Randall. 2004. *Street People and the Contested Realms of Public Space*.
- Evans, David, Herbert, David (Eds.). 1989. *The Geography of Crime*, New York, Routledge.
- Evans, D., Fyfe, N., and D. Herbert. 1992. *Crime, Policing, and Place*. New York: Routledge.
- Flint, Colin, ed. 2004. *Spaces of Hate: Geographies of crime and intolerance in the USA*. Chapters 4 and 10 only.* Harries, Kieth. 1974. *Geography of Crime and Violence*.
- Jones, Huw, 1993. *Crime and the Urban Environment*. Brookfield: Avebury
- Low, Setha. 2003. *Behind the Gates: Life, Security and the Pursuit of Happiness in Fortress America*. Routledge.
- Maltz, Michael D., Gordon, Andrew, Friedman, Warren, 1991, *Mapping Crime in its Community Setting: Event Geography Analysis*, New York, Springer-Verlag.* Reisner, Marc. 1992. *Game Wars*. Penguin Books.
- Rengert, George. 1998. *The Geography of Illegal Drugs*. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.
- Rossmo, Kim. *Geographic Profiling*. CRC, 1995.
- Steinberg, Michael, et al. 2004. *Dangerous Harvest: Drug plants and the transformation of indigenous landscapes*. Oxford University Press.
- Wakefield, Alison. 2003. *Selling Security: the private policing of public space** Turnbull, Linda, et al. *Atlas of Crime: Mapping the Criminal Landscape*

SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

Courses in Geography may have mandatory field trips with additional fees. Details are available on course outlines distributed in class.

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

Evaluation for this course will vary according to instructor and course subject matter.

Sample evaluation plan based on a review of 300-level Geography courses

Midterm	20%
Final exam	25%
Group presentation	15%
Research report/ poster	25%
Field Report	15%

Evaluation structure for GEOG 300G: Geography of Transportation

Critical Reviews of weekly readings	25%
Research project – An evaluation of a transportation system in the Fraser Valley or Metro Vancouver	30%
Research presentation	10%
Final exam	25%
Participation	10%

Evaluation structure for GEOG 300I: Geography of Crime and Place

Review and critique of course readings for a course theme	15%
Ethics review and discussion	10%
Landscape evaluation and redesign proposal	15%
Research poster	20%
Final exam	30%
Participation	10%

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

GEOG 300G: Geography of Transportation

1. Introduction to transportation geography; transportation and transportation networks
2. Transportation and spatial structure
3. Transportation and the Economy
4. Researching Transportation Geographies and Planning
5. Transportation Modes
6. Transportation Terminals
7. International Trade, Globalization, and Transportation and Logistics
8. Urban Transportation
9. Public Transportation Planning and Sustainability
10. Transportation, Energy, and the Environment
11. Transportation Policy and Decision-Making

GEOG 300I: Geography of Crime and Place

1. Introduction to course; key concepts, definitions in crime geographies
2. Understanding the links between crime, identity, and space
3. Personal geographies of fear
4. Domestic space and crime
5. Neighbourhood crime and surveillance of space
6. Designing safe spaces on the street and in the community; 'suburban' crime
7. Hate crime
8. Urban patterns of crime; Law enforcement's perception of space
9. Geographic profiling; Use of geographic tools in crime detection
10. Rural crime
11. Spaces of drug production, consumption, and transport
12. Human trafficking
13. Financial crime and territoriality
14. Terrorism