

The University of Western Ontario
Department of Geography
GEOG 2010B-002: Geography of Canada
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Lectures: Wed 7:00 – 9:50 pm
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Overview:

The course is a regional study of Canada in which the major regions of the country are studied with respect to geographical patterns of their physical environment, settlement, culture, economic activity, and land use.

Objectives:

The objectives of this course are to provide students with:

- expanded knowledge of the physical, cultural, economic, and political geography of Canada
- increased understanding of the differences among the regions of Canada
- improved map reading skills and geographic knowledge

Textbook:

Bone, R. M. (2017): The Regional Geography of Canada (7th Edition), Oxford University Press: Toronto, ON.

Assessment:

<i>Assessment Method</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Value</i>
Activities	Weekly	10%
Quiz #1	Jan 24	4%
Quiz #2	Jan 31	5%
Midterm Exam	Feb 14	25%
Quiz #3	Mar 7	3%
Quiz #4	Mar 21	5%
Assignment	Mar 28	8%
Final Exam	TBA	40%

The activities are primarily participation based and will be completed during class time. The midterm exam covers material from Jan 10 through Feb 7. The quizzes are map based. The final exam is cumulative and thus covers material from the entire course. Exams will consist of a combination of multiple choice, true or false, fill in the blank, short answer, and long answer questions.

Schedule:

<i>Lecture</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Reading</i>	
			<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Pages</i>
1	Jan 10	Introduction		
		Regional Geography	1	3-16
2	Jan 17	Regions of Canada	1	17-26
		Physical Geography of Canada	2	29-56
3	Jan 24	Quiz #1		
		Physical Geography of Canada	2	56-65
		Assignment Tutorial		
4	Jan 31	Quiz #2		
		Historical Geography of Canada	3	67-118
5	Feb 7	Human Geography of Canada	4	121-162
	Feb 14	Midterm Exam		
6	Feb 28	Ontario	5	165-213
7	Mar 7	Quiz #3		
		Quebec	6	215-262
8	Mar 14	British Columbia	7	265-308
	Mar 21	Quiz #4		
		Assignment Work		
9	Mar 28	Prairie Provinces	8	311-354
10	Apr 4	Atlantic Canada	9	357-399
11	Apr 11	The Territorial North	10	401-436
		Synthesis	11	439-447

Accommodation Policy:

Students seeking academic accommodation for missed assessments must notify the instructor within 48 hours of the missed assessment. Students must then apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home faculty and provide documentation to that office. For the University of Western Ontario policy on accommodation for medical illness and a downloadable Student Medical Certificate, see this link:

http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/accommodation_medical.pdf

Make-up Exams:

Students with special accommodation will write make-up exams administered by the department on Fridays during a respective period of the semester. To prevent prior disclosure, the content of the make-up exam may differ from the originally scheduled exam.

Accessibility:

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Academic Integrity:

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a scholastic offense at this site:

http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf

All essays will be submitted to the plagiarism detection software Turnitin and will then be included as documents in the database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism in essays subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the current licensing agreement between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.

Computer marked multiple choice exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate academic misconduct.

Electronic Devices:

No electronic devices other than calculators will be permitted during examinations.

Mental Health:

If you or someone you know is experiencing distress, there are several resources at the university to assist. Visit this site for more information on mental health resources:

<http://www.uwo.ca/uwocom/mentalhealth/>

Support Services:

Registrarial Services: <http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/>

Student Development Services: <http://www.sdc.uwo.ca>