**Course Title:** Introduction to Geography  
**Date submitted:** Fall 2017  
**Department:** Social Sciences  
**Curriculum:** Geography

| **Course Code:** (eg. ACC 101) | GEO*101  
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| **Course Type:** | L/D  
| A: Clinical | B: Lab | D: Distance Learning  
| P: Practicum | U: Studio  
| X: Combined Lecture/Lab | Y: Combined Lecture/  
| Clinical/Lab | Z: Combined Lecture/Studio  
| **Elective Type:** | G/LAS/SS  
| AH: Art History | E: English | FA: Fine Arts | FL: Foreign Language  
| G: General | HI: History | HU: Humanities | LAS: Liberal Arts & Sciences  
| M: Math | S: Science | SS: Social Science  
| **Credit Hours:** | 3  
| **Developmental:** (yes/no) | No  
| **Lecture:** | 3  
| **Clinical:** | 0  
| **Lab:** | 0  
| **Studio:** | 0  
| **Other:** | 0  
| **TOTAL:** | 3  
| **Class Maximum:** | 35  
| **Semesters Offered:** | F/S/SU  

**Prerequisites:**  
C- or better in Integrated Reading and Writing II (ENG*075) OR Introduction to College Reading & Writing (ENG*093) OR Introduction to College English (ENG*096) OR Reading & Writing VI (ESL*162), or placement into Composition (ENG*101) (including embedded ENG*101)

| **Corequisites:** | None  
| **Other Requirements:** | None  

**Catalog Course Description:**  
This course surveys the distribution of and interactions between various natural and human phenomena on the face of the globe. Topics will include maps, landforms, climate, natural resources, population, cultural patterns, political geography, economic patterns, and urban geography.

**Topical Outline:**  
List course content in outline format.  
1. What is Geography?  
2. Maps  
3. Landforms  
4. Weather and Climate  
5. Natural Resources  
6. Human Population  
7. Cultural Geography  
8. Spatial Interactions  
9. Political Geography  
10. Economic Geography
### Outcomes:
Describe measurable skills or knowledge that students should be able to demonstrate as evidence that they have mastered the course content.

**Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:**

**COURSE:**
1. list the major sub-specialties of geography and explain the content, function, and uses of each
2. demonstrate an understanding of key geographic topics and themes
3. demonstrate an understanding of the process and methods of geographic inquiry

**PROGRAM:** *(Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)*

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<th>COMPETENCIES FULFILLED:</th>
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<td><strong>Social Phenomena</strong> - Students will develop an increased understanding of the influences that shape a person’s, or group’s attitudes, beliefs, emotions, symbols, and actions, and how these systems of influence are created, maintained, and altered by individual, familial, group, situational or cultural means.</td>
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| Ethical Dimensions (embedded) - Students will identify ethical principles that guide individual and collective actions and apply those principles to the analysis of contemporary social and political problems. |
| **Demonstrates**: Identifies and reflects critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica. |
| **Does Not Demonstrate**: Does not sufficiently identify or reflect critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica. |

### Evaluation:
List how the above outcomes will be assessed.

**Assessment will be based on the following criteria:**
- examinations
- papers
- quizzes
- oral presentations
- map exercises
- group activities.

### Instructional Resources:
List library (e.g. books, journals, on-line resources), technological (e.g. Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g. equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.

**Required**: Smartboard, maps  
**Desired**: None

### Textbook(s)
Refer to current academic year printout.

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