

#### **GEOGRAPHY FINAL COURSE OUTLINE: FALL 2009**

## GEOGRAPHY 551 H(3-0) Area II

## **Advanced Urban Geography**

Timetable: W 16:00 - 18:45 ES 319

Please note: The appropriate emergency evacuation assembly point for classes taught in Earth Sciences is the ICT Food Court.

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<u>Official course description.</u> Selected topics in the field, such as processes of growth in urban systems or urban ecology.

The 2009 course will review the development of urban planning in western cities, using Hall's book. It will then provide an overview of the various strategies used by governments throughout the world to slow down or stimulate the development of settlements in city systems, as well as discussing the utility of recent ideas such as creative cities, intelligent cities, slow cities etc.

**Prerequisite:** Geography 351 or consent of instructor.

**Supplementary fees:** None

**Essential Reading:** Peter Hall, "Cities of Tomorrow", (Blackwell). Latest edition (Ordered in bookstore) This will be supplemented by many articles.

<u>Grading (Weighting)</u>: Final Examination (take home) worth 40%. Term paper or review 20%. In class mid-term test 25%. Presentation of review of assigned article/chapter: 15%.

## **Grading System:**

The official grading scheme of the university will be used (Course Information Section in the Univ. Calendar). These will be directed translated into percentages, so C or 2/4.0GP = 50%

A+	4.00	Outstanding performance
Α	4.00	Excellent-superior performance: comprehensive understanding of subject
A-	3.70	<b>↑</b>
B+	3.30	
В	3.00	Good - clearly above average performance
B-	2.70	<b>★</b>
C+	2.30	
С	2.00	Satisfactory performance – basic understanding of the subject
C-	1.70	
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	Minimal Pass-marginal performance
F	0	Fail poor performance

# For additional detailed course information posted by the Instructor see Blackboard at: http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/

#### **Plagiarism**

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary and students are **strongly advised** to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar. Quite often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are 1) presenting another student's work as your own 2) presenting an author's work or ideas as your own without proper referencing and 3) using work completed for another course. This activity will not be tolerated in this course and students conducting themselves in this manner will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar.

### **Disability Resource Centre Accommodations**

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic

accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

## Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

- Assignments will be handed back only in class or by the Professor at pre-arranged time(s).
- To receive your assignment back via mail, please include an appropriately sized self-addressed, stamped envelope with your assignment when handing in to the professor.
- Posting of grades will be at the discretion of each Professor and, if posted, they will be scrambled. Grades will **not** be available at Geography's main office.

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- SU VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 and e-mail: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca

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