



GEOGRAPHY FINAL COURSE OUTLINE: FALL 2010

GEOGRAPHY 463

H (3-0) Area II

CITIES, POVERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

Timetable: Lec 01 Wednesday 17:00 – 19:45 ES920

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Overview of course content:

This course examines the explosive growth and geographical character of cities of the South (developing cities). Topics include urbanization trends, rural-urban migration, the urban labour market, housing issues and squatter settlements, slum ecology, crime, and children and youth in the city. We will also analyze the impacts of globalization on various cities in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Prerequisite: Geography 351 or 365 or consent of the Department.

Text: Planet of Slums (2006), Davis, M., New York: Verso

Grading:

I. Mid-term exams:	
1. Mid-term Exam One- October 20	20%
2. Mid-term Exam Two- November 17	20%
II. Written Assignments:	
1. Term Paper- Due December 1	30%
2. Journal Entries	10%
III. In-class participation (including groups)	10%
IV. Group Presentations –December 8	10%

There is NO final exam in this course. It is not necessary to pass every component to pass the course.



Grading System:

A+	90-100	B+	77-79	C+	67-69	D+	55-59
A	85-89	B	74-76	C	64-66	D	50-54
A-	80-84	B-	70-73	C-	60-63	F	0-49

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

- Your individual grades will be available only to you on Blackboard by password access. Grades will **not** be available at Geography's main office.

Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation

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

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