Course Syllabus

University of Florida

Department of Geography

Global and Regional Economies

GEO 2500 Online (Sections 008A, 008D)

(3 Credit Hours)

Summer A 2018

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Email: Please send email for this course through the online Canvas Inbox tool.

Office Hours will be offered online, by appointment -- just contact us!

UF e-Learning System Course Website: Go to: https://lss.at.ufl.edu/ (https://lss.at.ufl.edu/) and login to Canvas. Once you have registered for the course, you will be able to view it at this website.

**What are the computer requirements for using UF’s Canvas e-Learning system?**

Most internet browsers are compatible with the Canvas e-Learning System: (click here (http://guides.instructure.com/m/4214/l/41056) to check your browser). With your internet connection (preferably a broadband connection such as DSL or cable), you should have no problem connecting to and using the UF e-Learning System.

Course Communications

If you have questions about course policies or subject matter, please contact the instructor. Be specific. Allow 24 hours for an answer. For personal questions about your grades or other matters, please email the instructor or TA from the Canvas Inbox tool. Use this tool to arrange a time for a phone call or web conference.
For technical difficulties, you should contact the UF Help Desk. The Help Desk is open 24 hours, 7 days a week except UF Holidays and Breaks. Phone: 352-HELP (4357). Email: helpdesk@ufl.edu (mailto:helpdesk@ufl.edu)

Required Textbook

**Companion Website for the Knox et al. textbook:** [www.routledge.com/cw/knox](http://www.routledge.com/cw/knox)

Additional Resources for Course
Additional readings, website information, and videos will be provided in the Course Modules as pdf attachments or URL links for you to access. There is no additional charge for materials other than the textbook.

Course Description
Contemporary perspectives, themes and research in economic geography, focusing on issues and problems associated with regional and global economic and demographic change. Regional variations and disparities in growth and development are analyzed and policy implications discussed.

GEA 2500 provides 3 Credit Hours of General Education Requirements (GER):

S=Social Sciences  **Gordon Rule:** 6,000 words Communications

Objectives of GEO 2500
1. To reinforce your knowledge of the scope, contents, goals and objectives of this course
2. To examine the issues and processes which have led to globalization and the Global World Economy
3. To realize the impact of historical events and culture on economic development
4. To critically analyze current issues and processes in the Global World Economy
5. To recognize how globalization affects our everyday lives
6. To develop strategies to live and work in a globalized world

https://ufl.instructure.com/courses/370109/assignments/syllabus
Course Policies

**Submit Assignments on Time:** You will be able to see the materials and assignments for the entire course at the beginning of the semester. The deadline for an assignment to be uploaded into Canvas is 11:59pm on its due date. You must submit your assignments by the deadline. Late assignments cannot be uploaded into Canvas and, therefore, will not be graded. Exceptions to this policy will not be made.

**Attendance Policy:** Although taking a web course online offers a lot of flexibility, if you know that you will not be accessing the course online for more than a few days, contact the instructor IN ADVANCE.

**Quiz Policy:** You will have a set amount of time to take the quiz one time. Once you begin the quiz, you must finish within the time indicated on the quiz instructions. You cannot re-enter, continue, or retake a quiz once the indicated time ends.

**Make-up Policy:** It will not be possible to “make-up” or submit assignments or take quizzes after their specified time periods and deadlines for uploading into Canvas have passed. As you can no longer upload them, they cannot be graded and you will receive no grade points for that assignment.

UF Policies

Accommodations for students with disabilities: Students must register with the Disability Resource Center (DRC). The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student which you must provide to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Contact the DRC as soon as possible if you need to utilize this service. DRC: 352-392-8565 Website: [www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/)

University Policy on Academic Misconduct: Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that you understand the UF Student Honor Code at [http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php)

Communication Courtesy: All members of the class are expected to follow rules of common courtesy.

UF Academic Regulations and Honor Code:

[https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/Pages/academic-regulations.aspx](https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/Pages/academic-regulations.aspx)
Grades Legend

(Minus Grades are not given)

**A**: 90 - 100 %

**B+**: 85-89 %  **B**: 80 - 84 %

**C+**: 75-79 %  **C**: 70 - 74 %

**D+**: 65-69 %  **D**: 60-64 %

**E**: <60 %

You must earn a C or higher to receive GER credits for this course.

Improve Your Writing Skills
GEO 2500 is a Gordon Rule 6,000 course so a significant amount of writing is required to complete assignments. If you need (or desire) assistance with writing (grammar, expression, style), I encourage you to contact the Writing Studio. It is part of the University Writing Program and the services are FREE. Even students who earn A and B grades may improve their writing skills through the Writing Studio.

Schedule of Modules

NOTE: If there are changes in the contents of this course, assignments, assessments, or due dates; I will notify you in advance.

MODULE ONE. Overview of Course. The Changing World Economy
Introduction. Introduction of instructor and students; discussion of syllabus, course policies and procedures, etc. Overview of Course Topics.

MODULE TWO. Historical Dynamics of the World Economy

MODULE THREE. Industrialization, Technology in the Rise of the Core Economies

MODULE FOUR. Spatial Transformation of the Core Economies

MODULE FIVE. Transformation of the Periphery

MODULE SIX. Contemporary Agriculture

MODULE SEVEN. The Geography of Industry

MODULE EIGHT. The Global Services Sector