

	Subject (code, title, credits)	GEOG 308 World Economic Geography 3KU /6ECTScredits 15 Weeks, 60 hours	
	Department	Geography and Environment	
	Level	Undergraduate	
	Term	Spring 2020	
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	Office hours	Friday, 10:00-11:00	
Prerequisites			
Language	English		
Compulsory/Elective	Elective		
Required textbooks and course materials	<i>Core readings:</i> 1. Danny Mackinnon, Andrew Cumbers. Introduction to Economic Geography: globalization, uneven development and place. 2nd edition. Pearson Education. 2011. 2. James M. Rubenstein. Contemporary Human Geography. 4th Edition. Pearson Education. 2020. 3. Joseph H. Jobbs. World regional geography. Sixth edition. 2009. Nelson Education. 4. Lecture materials of the Instructor.		
Course outline	This course examines economic and aspects of international relations from a geographical perspective. It has an integrative character and requires basic knowledge about international affairs, global locations and current events. The course will provide lectures on fundamental concepts and definitions of economic geography of the world such as industry, regional policy, economic globalization, etc. along with discussing the major issues of contemporary world. It will discuss debates on development of businesses, multi-national corporations, labor use, migration, and sustainable development.		
Course objectives	The course will pursue following objectives: - provide comprehensive introduction to the economic geography; - promote understanding of changing economic landscape of the world; - discuss the key questions and debates in the economic geography; - enable students to identify the problems of high concern in the period of modern globalization.		
Learning outcomes	Upon completion of essential readings and activities, at the end of this course, students should be able to: - understand and critically evaluate, different theoretical approaches to economic geography of the world; - identify contours of main global issues in economic context; - feel confident to discuss and present on various issues pertaining to economic geography; - develop presentation, debate and critical writing skills.		
Evaluation	Methods	Date/deadlines	Percentage (%)
	Midterm Exam	November	30
	Class attendance		5
	Active participation		5
	Project	Mid-December	10
	Quiz	Late October; Mid- December	10
	Final Exam	January	40
	Total	1	100

Policy	<p>Attendance and participation: The students are required to attend all classes as part of their studies and those having legitimate reasons for absence (illness, family bereavement etc.) are required to inform the instructor.</p> <p>Preparation for class The structure of this course makes your individual study and preparation outside the class extremely important. The lecture material will focus on the major points introduced in the text. Reading the assigned chapters and having some familiarity with them before class will greatly assist your understanding of the lecture. After the lecture, you should study your notes and work relevant problems from the end of the chapter and sample exam questions. Throughout the semester we will also have a large number of review sessions. These review sessions will take place during the regularly scheduled class periods.</p> <p>Withdrawal (pass/fail) This course strictly follows grading policy of the School of Economics and Management. Thus, a student is normally expected to achieve a mark of at least 60% to pass. In case of failure, he/she will be referred or required to repeat the course the following term or year. For referral, the student will be required to take examination scheduled by instructor.</p> <p>Assignments/quizzes There will be two quizzes and two assignments. Quizzes and home assignments will constitute 20 percent of the final grade. Makeup quizzes will not be given except in the case of dire emergency. Students are required to turn in answers to assignments at the beginning of the classes at which they are due. Late assignments will not be accepted.</p> <p>Cheating/plagiarism Cheating or other plagiarism during the Quizzes, Mid-term and Final Examination will lead to paper cancellation. In this case, the student will automatically get zero (0), without any considerations.</p> <p>Professional behavior guidelines The students shall behave in the way to create favorable academic and professional environment during the class hours. Unauthorized discussions and unethical behavior are strictly prohibited. The students shall behave in the way to create favorable academic and professional environment during the class hours. Unauthorized discussions and unethical behavior are strictly prohibited. Classroom behavior that seriously interferes with either (a) the instructor's ability to conduct the class or (b) the ability of other students to benefit from the course program will not be tolerated. When a student's behavior in a class is as seriously disruptive as to compel immediate action, the instructor has the authority to remove a student from the class on an interim basis, pending an informal hearing on the behavior.</p>
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Tentative Schedule

Date/Day	Topics	Readings
11.02.2020 13.02.2020	1. Introduction: Economic and geographical landscape of the world	1. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 2nd edition. pp. 1-19. 2. Lecture materials of the Instructor.
18.02.2020 20.02.2020	2. Economy and regional policy	1. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 2nd edition. pp. 89-117. 2. Lecture materials of the Instructor.
25.02.2020 27.02.2020	3. Development geography	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Ed. pp. 194-216. 2. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 2nd edition. pp. 175-200. 3. Lecture materials of the Instructor.
03.03.2020 05.03.2020	4. Geography of integration and transnational corporations	1. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 2nd edition. pp. 89-117. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
10.03.2020 12.03.2020	5. Free economic zones	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit (selected pages) 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.

17.03.2020 19.03.2020	6. Geography of work and employment	1. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 2nd edition. pp. 147-173. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
31.03.2020 02.04.2020	7. Developed and developing countries of the world	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit (selected pages) 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
April	Mid-term exam	
07.04.2020 09.04.2020	8. Industry. Geography of industry	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 242-261. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
14.04.2020 16.04.2020	9. Energy industry. Petroleum industry.	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 314-335. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
21.04.2020 23.04.2020	10. Gas and coal industries	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 314-335. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
28.04.2020 30.04.2020	11. Textile industry	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 375-401. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
05.05.2020 07.05.2020	12. Agriculture. Food industry	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 406-435. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
12.05.2020 14.05.2020	13. Services. Transport	1. Rubinstein J. Contemporary human geography. 1st Edit. pp. 448-460. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
19.05.2020 21.05.2020	14. Tourism	1. MacKinnon D., Cumbers A. Introduction to Economic Geography. 1st edition. pp. 279-301. 2. Lecture material of the Instructor.
26.05.2020 27.05.2020	15. Presentations of students	
June	Final exam	

If necessary, some minor modifications may be made to this syllabus by the instructor.