

Syllabus for A.P. Human Geography

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Welcome to A.P. Human Geography, an extremely challenging and rewarding class which will give you great insight to today's world. This is an advanced class which is very different and much more demanding than your average high school class. This course focuses on seven main units:

- Geography: Its Nature and Perspective
- Population
- Cultural Patterns and Processes
- Political Organization of Space
- Agricultural and Rural Land Use
- Industrialization and Economic Development
- Cities and Urban Land Use

Student Responsibilities

Due to the challenging nature of this class, you will be expected to:

- Complete all assigned work clearly and on time
- Take notes during class and keep an organized notebook
- Actively participate in all class activities

Course Assignments and Readings

Students are required to complete assignments and readings by the due date. Students should not expect to succeed in this class without completing all the assigned readings.

Class will consist mainly of lectures, class discussions and group learning activities. A variety of teaching strategies is essential to suit all learning styles. In addition, as a large part of the A.P. exam is based on your written responses, we will spend a great deal of time writing in class.

Grading Policy

Tests/Projects—40%

Homework—25%

Class Participation—25%

Quizzes—10%

Tests will be given after we complete a unit, and like the A.P. Exam, will consist of multiple choice and essay questions. It is essential to be fully committed to all assignments. Class participation is vital to demonstrate your understanding of the subject matter.

A.P. Human Geography Exam

May 16 is the big day. You will have 60 minutes to answer 75 multiple choice questions, and then 75 minutes to answer three free response questions. You will be graded on a scale of 1-5, if you earn a 3 or higher you may earn university credit.