

OSS007 – HUMAN GEOGRAPHY OR CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY

Credit Hours: 3 Semester Hours
Pre-Requisite: None
Related TAG: Geography
General Course Description: This course serves as an introduction to the study of human or cultural phenomena from a geographic perspective. Students will become familiar with the basic elements associated with human or cultural geography to include: the interface among human settlement, the environment, and economic systems; geographic patterns and processes associated with language, religion, and ethnicity; geographic patterns and processes associated with demographics and migration; political patterns and processes; geographic distribution of resources and economic activity; globalization and the impact on cultural/social, economic, and spatial relationships at various scales; how geographers approach the study of human and cultural activities; geographic patterns of urbanization; and impact of human behavior on landscapes. Students should be able to use maps/geo-technologies to explain geographic themes and patterns.
A minimum of 70% of the following Student Learning Outcomes must be met.
1. Understand the interface among human settlement, the environment, and economic systems.
2. Understand the concept of culture and the geographic patterns and processes associated with cultural traits such as language, religion, and ethnicity.
3. Understand geographic patterns of population and demographic characteristics such as fertility, mortality, and migration.
4. Understand the relationships between political patterns and processes and cultural characteristics at various scales.
5. Understand processes associated with geographic distribution of resources used and economic activities.
6. Understand the concept of globalization and the impact on cultural/social, economic, and spatial relationships at various scales.
7. Understand how geographers approach the study of human and cultural activities.
8. Understand how patterns associated with urbanization vary in different settings.
9. Understand the impact of human behavior on the landscape in different settings.
10. Use maps/geo-technologies to explain geographic themes and patterns.

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