

**DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**  
**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**  
**PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY LAB**  
**GEO2200L FALL 2008 (1 CREDIT HOUR)**

**Course:** GEO2200L Sections: 2072 and 0969 (Fall 2008)

**Class Meeting Times and Locations:**

Section 2072 Monday, Periods 5-6 (11:45-1:40) Turlington 3006

Section 0969 Monday, Periods 7-8 (1:55-3:00) Turlington 3006

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**Class Materials:** Available at TARGET COPY located at 1412 W University Ave

**Basic Course Objective**

This course is a study of the development and distribution of landforms, climates, minerals, soils and water resources. Interrelationships among the physical environment and regional patterns formed by these elements are analyzed against the man's utilization of them. Although you may be also enrolled in the GEO2200 Physical Geography course, do not worry if you haven't taken that course yet. **THIS LABORATORY SATISFIES THE PHYSICAL SCIENCE LABORATORY REQUIREMENT.**

**Lab Assignments and Article Assignments**

Lab exercises will be conducted through web resources and the application of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Remote Sensing Software. Also, occasionally we may have to make use of analog maps (old-fashioned, paper-based maps) to complete tasks, if necessary. You will be responsible for turning in 11 labs in total, one at the end of each session. Therefore, **ATTENDANCE FOR THIS COURSE IS REQUIRED!** Feel free to discuss the ideas presented in the labs with each other, but do not turn in labs with the same answers. **THIS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND YOU WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY PENALIZED!**

In addition to the 11 lab assignments, you will be required to submit two (2) written article summaries (typed, double –spaced, 1-2 pages). **One article must be taken from a peer-**

**reviewed journal and the other must be taken from a popular magazine or newspaper (i.e. Time, The Nation, Gainesville Sun).** The article must have been recently published (within the last 10 years). Summarize the article in 1-2 pages and identify how it relates to geography and/or the ideas presented in this course. Be sure to cite the journal used in bibliographical format. Please see this website to learn how to properly cite bibliography materials (An infinitely important skill for your university career). <http://library.duke.edu/research/citing/>

### **Grades and Associated Policies**

Each lab is worth 10 points, and must be turned in at the end of the session. Unless you have a documented excuse as to why you missed the lab and require late submission, you will receive a ZERO for that particular day's assignment. **Total possible lab assignment points: 110**

Article summaries are due in class on the due date. Late submission of summaries will lose 5 points one day beyond the due date and 10 points thereafter for each day. Article #1 is due on Monday October 6 and Article #2 is due Monday November 17. **Each article is worth 30 points, for a total of 60 points.**

### **Grading scale is as follows:**

90-100% = A; 87-89% = B+; 80-86% = B; 77-79% = C+; 70-76% = C; 67-69% =D+; 60-66% = D; and <60% =E

### **Classroom Expectations**

Cell phones should be turned off upon entering the classroom. This also includes texting, emails, etc. Also, media devices (i.e. IPODS) must be turned off and earphones removed from your ears. For those of you who choose to use laptops to take notes, please do not use them for anything else other than the task on hand (no web surfing, no emails, etc). Finally, be prepared when you come to class with that day's lab printed out or with the manual **"I forgot it!" is not an excuse!**

### **Academic Honesty**

As you all know, upon registering, you as a student entered into a commitment with the university to remain honest in your academic career. You signed a statement including the Student Honor Code to not cheat or plagiarize. I will hold you to this commitment. If you are unfamiliar of your responsibilities as a student, please visit: [www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/procedures/honestybrochure.php](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/procedures/honestybrochure.php).