

CASPER COLLEGE COURSE SYLLABUS
GEOG 2150 Map Use and Analysis

Semester/Year: Fall 2015

Lecture/Credit Hours:

3

Class Time: Online

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Course Description: Survey of the use of maps to communicate ideas and opinions about places, and the analysis and presentation of mapped data to solve spatial or geographic problems.

Prerequisites: none

Goals: The goals of this course are to give students an in-depth overview of all the various tools used to gather, interpret, and present spatially distributed attributes of the earth's surface, the peoples occupying the earth, and the interactions among peoples and between people and the natural environment.

Outcomes: Based on the 18 standards from *Geography for Life: National Geography Standards – 1994*, the outcomes of this course are based on the first three standards dealing with the world in spatial terms. At the end of this course, the successful student will be able to know:

1. How to use maps and other geographic representations, tools, and technologies to acquire, process, and report information (STANDARD 1)
2. How to use mental maps to organize information about people, places, and environments (STANDARD 2)
3. How to analyze the spatial organization of people, places, and environments on Earth's surface (STANDARD 3)
4. Solve problems using critical thinking and creativity
5. Use appropriate technology and information to conduct research

Methodology: Online discussions, readings, and project activities.

Evaluation Criteria: Students will be evaluated on the basis of regularly scheduled quizzes and exams covering theory (40%), real world (practical) project activities (40%), and classroom discussions (20%).

Required Text: Map Use & Analysis, 4th Edition, by John Campbell, University of Wisconsin – Parkside, McGraw-Hill, ©2001, ISBN 0073037486. Other materials posted to the web site.

Class Policies: Last Date to Change to Audit Status or to Withdraw with a W Grade: See the Casper College catalog and calendar.

Student Rights and Responsibilities: Please refer to the Casper College Student Conduct and Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College Student.

Chain of Command: If you have any problems with this class, you should first contact the instructor in order to solve the problem. If you are not satisfied with the solution offered by the instructor, you should then take your problem through the appropriate chain of command starting with the department head, then the division chair, and lastly the vice president for academic affairs.

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Class schedule: Please see "Assignments and Readings" link, and entries in class "Calendar" link.