

GEOG 105: Introductory Lab in Physical Geography Fall 2007

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Office Hours: Monday 12:00 pm- 4:00 pm, or by appointment

Introduction: This lab course is designed to provide a greater understanding of physical processes as described in the Geog 104 class. A wide range of topics will be covered including weather systems, climate, maps, glaciers, river systems, vegetation, soils, the atmosphere, solar radiation and biomes. At the conclusion of the course you should be familiar with a wide range of physical processes, the mechanisms underlying these processes and the patterns and effects that occur due to the physical geography of your environment.

Required Text: *Physical Geography Laboratory Exercises* Dr. William Johnson

Labs: Labs from the text will be completed during the lab sessions, and due at the end of lab. Late labs will not be accepted, please make sure and turn them in to me before you leave. If you know you will be absent from a lab please discuss it with me. If you miss a lab due to illness or emergency please bring me the proper documentation. If you miss a lab you are still responsible for the information given, this is especially important for the quizzes given throughout the semester. See me in my office hours if there are questions or concerns.

Quizzes: There will be four quizzes given throughout the semester, one for every three labs completed. The quizzes are not comprehensive. You must complete all of the quizzes as no scores are dropped. If you will be absent for a quiz please bring proper documentation (illness, emergency etc) BEFORE the quiz is given and an alternative time will be scheduled for you.

Attendance and Participation: Attendance is required to complete the labs. Every class period is worth 12 points, 2 for coming to class and 10 for participating and completing the lab.

Grades: Grades are made up of the following components:

Labs: 40%
 Quizzes: 40%
 Attendance and Participation: 20%

Academic dishonesty is not tolerated and will be subject to departmental and university policies. Don't cheat!!!!

Cell Phones and Newspapers: Please turn your phone on silent, or turn it off, and do NOT text in my class. If I see you texting in class or reading the newspaper/ doing the crossword, I will not take your lab for that day and you cannot make up the points.

Any student with a disability that might prevent full demonstration of academic abilities should contact me asap so we can discuss accommodations necessary to ensure full participation and a suitable learning environment.

Schedule: *Subject to change.

Week of	Topic	
January 23rd	No class Monday (Labor Day), Introduction to the course	
January 28th	Maps, Solar Radiation	
February 4th	Solar Radiation	
February 11th	Moisture in the Atmosphere	Quiz
February 18 th	Weather Systems	
February 25 th	Weather Systems and Climate	
March 3rd	Climate	
March 10th	Vegetation	Quiz
March 17th	NO CLASS SPRING BREAK	
March 24th	Biomes	
March 31st	Climate through Time	
April 7th	Soils	Quiz
April 21st	Landforms	
April 28th	Rivers	
May 5th	Glaciers	Quiz

	Last Day of Labs May 7th	