Course Information

Course Title: Economic Geography (GEOG 2100)
Credits: 3
Software requirements: HuskyCT compatibility

There is no required text for this course, and no supplemental text materials are required or necessary. Internet links to relevant reading will be provided. Familiarity with the relevant reading and HuskyCT module lecture notes is vital to success in the class.

Course Description
Economic geography concerns spatial patterns of economic activity. This course divides the field into two parts. The first is micro-scale and covers the location of producers and consumers as individual actors. The second is macro-scale and concerns spatial patterns in the economy from regional to international levels.

Course Objectives

After completing this course students should be able to:

At the end of the course, students should be able to

1) describe a variety of theoretical foundations used in analytical economic geography,

2) describe a variety of practical foundations used in analytical economic geography,

3) be familiar with selected tools of analysis in economic geography, and

4) use theoretical and practical foundations and selected tools of analysis to explain patterns in real-world economic geography.

Course Outline

The course progresses over nine modules:

1. Introduction
2. Location Principles and Land Use
3. Location of Agriculture
4. Population and Natural Resource Use
5. Transportation and Spatial Interaction
6. Location of manufacturing
Grading

Grades for the course have three parts:

1. participation in online discussion: two per module – 20% of the final grade

2. quizzes: one per module – 30% of the final grade

3. brief essay style responses to two questions per module – 50% of the final grade

Student Evaluation of the Course

Students will be provided the opportunity to evaluate instruction in this course using the University's standard procedures.