

World Geography: Urban Patterns and Population Issues, Grade 12 University/College Preparation CGU4M

Prerequisite: Any University or University/College Preparation course in Canadian and World Studies, English, or Social Sciences and Humanities

Credit Value: 1 "M" level credit

Course Outline

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Course Description:

This course explores global population distribution, why people live where they do, and variations in their quality of life. Students will examine current population patterns and trends related to urbanization and their impact on human and natural systems. Students will apply the concepts of geographic thinking and the geographic inquiry process, including spatial technologies, to investigate issues related to urban life and will propose courses of action aimed at enhancing the sustainability of cities around the world.

Course Structure:

The course is divided in to the following general units:

1. Location, Location, Location?: introduction to urban geography
2. Urban Systems
3. Case Study: Urban Housing Issues
4. Case Study: Transportation Issues
5. Urban Design Studio: Public Open Space

Course Delivery:

The content of this course is delivered through: field work, class discussion, simulations, group work, guest speakers, individual work (including homework, independent research, and assignment completion), lectures, student presentations, newspapers, television, film, and websites.

Methods of Assessment:

Students will be expected to demonstrate their mastery of the course material through a variety of skills specific to geographic inquiry including, but not limited to: mapping, graphing, diagrams, statistical analysis, research, report writing, presentations, individual assignments, and group assignments.

Course Evaluation:

Marks are calculated on the following basis:

Classwork 100%