



AP Human Geography



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Freshman Coaching/Extra Help: Beginning of 4th period, ELOS: Tues.-Thurs.

After school hours: Tuesday-Friday

Welcome to AP Human Geography!

The Advanced Placement Human Geography class is equivalent to that of a college introductory-level geography class. The curriculum, which focuses on human geography, concentrates on the study of patterns and processes that shape human understanding, use, and modification of the Earth, as well as cultivating fundamental geographic skills and knowledge. This class will feature lectures, scholarly discussion, research projects, and debate over geographic issues. The class will study current events on multiple scales (international, national, and local), as a way to understand the practicality of geographic education and its application to the “real world.”

This is a rigorous course. It is a yearlong course designed to match the experience of an introductory one-semester college human geography course. This means that you will **need to come to class and participate every day**. *If you are absent, you will miss something important.* This also means you will commit considerable time outside of class studying as well.

My Expectations: My expectation is that you come to class everyday ready to learn. They are very high, because I *know* that you can meet them. You are almost adults, and I want to treat you as such. For this to happen, there are a few guidelines you need to keep up with:

1. **Respect** yourself, your classmates, and me.
2. **Be on time** and **in your seat** when the bell rings.
3. Use **respectful and school appropriate language** in class and discussion.
4. **Remain quiet and listen** when I and others are talking.
5. **Come prepared** with all of your materials.
6. **NO ELECTRONICS of any kind visible in class (must be silent).**

NO FOOD!! You may **only** have bottled water in class.

Materials:

For this class you will need:

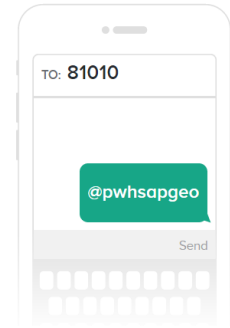
- Spiral notebook that you will LEAVE in this classroom. NOT USED FOR ANY OTHER CLASS.
 - Folder or Binder—one specific place to store all items related to this course
 - Pencil/Pen (pencil on test days)
 - Colored pencils for occasional use
 - AP Human Geography test prep book or study guide This is highly recommended and NOT provided by school
 - Rubenstein, James M. The Cultural Landscape: An Introduction to Human Geography. 10th Edition. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Education, 2011. This text is provided by the school
- Refer to course units for the corresponding chapters in Rubenstein

Remind: For updates on what is going on in class, including assignments, test reminders, and other important information, I will be sending texts via REMIND. Please set up your phone (AND parent phone) to receive this important communication. Instructions for this are on the website. It is very simple.

TEXT THE FOLLOWING TO 81010

@pwhsapgeo

Tell people to text @pwhsapgeo to the number 81010
They'll receive a welcome text from Remind.
If anyone has trouble with 81010, they can try texting @pwhsapgeo to (708) 613-7533.



Website: All information you need can be found on my website at:

butlerclassnotes.weebly.com



Make it a favorite on your search engine!

Grading: According to Social Studies Department policy, grades will be calculated based on the following percentages:

Formative: Participation/Classwork/Homework: 25%

Summative: Quizzes/Tests/Projects: 75%

ALL absences on test days MUST be excused. Without verification of approval of absence, the test grade will not be made up. It will remain a zero. Consider the math...you do NOT want to skip tests when they are such a high percentage of your grade.

Your grade will be based on:

- Regular quizzes on reading, vocabulary, maps, lectures, etc.
- Individual and group projects
- Participation in discussions
- Analysis of graphs and geospatial data
- Free response questions
- Unit exams These exams weigh heavily on the semester grade and are cumulative. Each unit is designed to simulate the AP Exam which will be administered the morning of May 12. For the first day of each unit exam, students will complete two free response questions (FRQs). The second day of the exam will consist of a lengthy multiple choice section.

Assignments: Unless otherwise instructed, all in-class work will be due at the end of the period. Likewise, homework is due at the beginning of class on the day it is due. Any challenges to grades must be made in writing and attached to the assignment. Avoid plagiarism. Plagiarized assignments will earn zero credit.

Make-up and Late Work: Please be sure to check my website and Office365 Team for all assignments that you miss or need to access. All lessons including assignments and PowerPoints will be uploaded there. There will also be a storage bin labeled with each day of the week. Whatever handouts you missed will be easy to find. Look for the DAY you missed (ex. This Week-Monday) and collect your materials.

The late/make-up work policy is as follows:

If you are absent, you must make up the missing work by the end of the week. Any work turned in more than a week after the absence will be 50% off. If you miss several days, please ask a friend or come see me to catch up and clarify what you must do. DO NOT WAIT.

Late work will be accepted with 50% off within a week of the assignment.

No late work will be accepted for a unit after it is completed.

Key Concepts of AP Human Geography

Semester 1

UNIT I Geography: Its Nature & Perspectives ①

- What is geography? conceptual
- What purpose does it serve? applied
- How do geographers gather and interpret data?

UNIT II Population & Migration ② ③

- Where are populations distributed?
- What accounts for the distinct distribution of populations?
- Are we facing an overpopulation crisis?

UNIT III Cultural Patterns & Processes ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦

- Where do cultures originate?
- Where do cultures cluster and diffuse?
- Is the globalization of culture problematic?

Semester 2

UNIT IV Political Organization of Space ⑧

- What forces shaped the modern state?
- How do states interact on a regional and global scale?
- Why do boundaries cause problems?

UNIT V Food Production & Rural Land Use ⑩ ⑭

- How is agriculture practiced in different places?
- What is the interrelationship between rural and urban land use?
- How do agricultural practices affect the quality of modern life?

UNIT VI Industrialization & Development Geography ⑨ ⑪

- How is location important to economic development?
- Why are location factors changing?
- Why are some places more developed than others?

UNIT VII Cities & Urban Land Use ⑫ ⑬

- What factors influence the location of services?
- What internal structures are necessary for a city to function?
- How does the urban landscape evolve?
- What distinct challenges are faced by cities and suburbs?

Class Honor Code

I am responsible for my own success.

I will ensure that I work my hardest to be the best student I can be.

I will strive to the best of my ability to do all of my work on time.

I will respect the rules of this classroom and accept the consequences if I break those rules.

I have read and understand all of the policies of this classroom, and will uphold them.

Print Student Name

Signed Student Name

Print Parent Name

Signed Parent Name

Parent Email

Parent Cell Phone