THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

GEOG 2750

World Regional Geography (14973) Autumn 2026

Syllabus - Instructor Information

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Professional Qualifications
Professor of Geography, The Ohio State University at Newark
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Syllabus - Required or Recommended Readings

Diversity Amid Globalization (7th ed.) by Rowntree, et al. ISBN #9780134539423 [via CarmenBooks, automatically billed to your account ~$44]

a political world wall map [from Newark campus bookstore or elsewhere ~$20]

access to the *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* [both are free for OSU students]

video: Alam Simsim - Imagine if you were with Khokha, Filfil, and Namnam (clips only; in-class)

video: Planet Money Makes a T-Shirt (all chapters; in-class)

video: Cloud Kitchen (episodes 1 and 2 only; in-class)

recommended:
- If You Hate Bad Bunny, I Have Bad News for You (*New York Times*, 2/6/26)
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[required or recommended readings incorporated into class at a later date will be added to this list]

Syllabus - Course Schedule

WEEK	TOPIC
1	course introduction
2	globalization & anti-globalization
3	geography concepts
4	development, physical geography
5	Latin America
6	development, TV & film, Latin America
7	TV & film, Europe
8	Europe, midterm exam
9	Southwest Asia & North Africa
10	Southwest Asia & North Africa
11	Southwest Asia & North Africa, South Asia
12	South Asia
13	South Asia
14	Russian Domain
15	Russian Domain, East Asia
16	East Asia
17	final exam

Syllabus - University Policies

Office of Undergraduate Education - Standard Syllabus Statements

- Academic Misconduct
- Religious Accommodations
- Accommodations for Disability and Illness
- Intellectual Diversity
- Grievances and Solving Problems
- Creating an Environment Free from Harassment, Discrimination, and Sexual Misconduct
- Copyrights
- Content Warnings
- Mental Health Support
- Resources for Military-Connected Students
- Campus-wide Class Cancellations