



# World Regional Geography

## GEOG 2750H - Hybrid Section

Spring Semester 2020 \* 2156 Founders Hall



Tuesdays 8:00 - 9:20 am, section 32571  
Honors (embedded) Section

**including COVID-19 updates!**

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Textbook: *Diversity Amid Globalization* (7<sup>th</sup> edition) by Rowntree, et al. ISBN 9780134610788  
you do not have to have the card with an access code (online direct is ok), but you should get a bundle that includes both a packaged electronic textbook *and* Mastering Geography; a print (loose leaf) copy of text is available directly from Pearson Publishing for \$35, shipping included, if you already have such a package. If you are waiting for scholarship money to come in you can get a 2-week access on the Mastering website. There is also a world wall map at the bookstore which you should purchase.

Websites & Learning Technologies:

Carmen - <https://carmen.osu.edu/> - OSU's distance learning platform; announcements, links, discussion, assignment submission, grades; use OSU name.# and password to access  
Mastering Geography - Pearson publishing's online textbook component accessible through Carmen > "MyLab and Mastering"

Course Bulletin Description: An examination of the human and physical geographic structure of all world regions, defined primarily at the continental scale. Examines regions in global context.

<u>Points Possible:</u>	<u>Grading Scale:</u>	770 - 799 = C +
50 = Tuesday attendance	930 + = A	730 - 769 = C
50 = Thursday videos	900 - 929 = A -	700 - 729 = C -
100 = worksheets	870 - 899 = B +	670 - 699 = D +
350 = Mastering Geography	830 - 869 = B	600 - 669 = D
150 = Honors activities	800 - 829 = B -	< 600 = E
300 = quizzes & exams		
<hr/> <hr/> 1,000 = total		

Attendance: Since learning is closely correlated with your presence in class, attendance will be taken throughout the semester. Grades earned in this category will be based in part on the quality of your response. In other words, you have to not only be present, but paying attention and thinking about class material. Points may also be earned in this category for posting an introduction on Carmen and uploading a profile photo (deadline: Jan. 12) and an instructor visit during office hours or by appointment (deadline: March 23). There are a maximum of 50 points in this category. Your two lowest attendance grades will be dropped. Lesson notes cannot be obtained from the instructor.

Thursday videos: There will be at least one video clip to watch each week. These will be available on Carmen on Thursdays. There will be a short quiz each week over the assigned material. Each quiz is worth 5 points and is due on Fridays by 11p. There are a maximum of 50 points in this category. Your three lowest Thursday video grades will be dropped.

**Worksheets:** There will be two worksheets (worth 50 points each) which must be completed.

**Mastering Geography:** The textbook for this class includes access to this online learning platform through the publisher (Pearson) which provides additional content and review activities. Completion of activities on the Mastering website are worth up to 50 points for each chapter. *The lowest grade in this category will be dropped for Honors students (alternatively you may elect to skip a chapter's worth of Mastering activities).*

**Quizzes & Exams:** Both the Midterm and Final exams will be worth 100 points. The Final Exam will be cumulative. Exams include a variety of question formats: multiple-choice, fill-in-the-blank, matching, short-answers, etc. *Honors students may opt out of one of the two class exams (alternatively you may take both and elect to drop your lowest score).* Before each exam on a separate day there will be a map quiz that focuses solely on map placement and identification of locations on a map. The map quizzes will be worth 100 points and are not cumulative. *Honors students may not opt out of the map quizzes.* All exams and quizzes will be closed-book and taken independently by each student. A photo ID is required when turning in the Midterm Exam.

**Honors activities:** Up to 185 points are possible in this category but only 150 points are required.

100 = poster on class theme from list; must include citations from 8+ sources including at least two books or academic journal articles; drafts due 4/2 Th. and 4/16 and will comprise 15 points each out of the 100 total; final poster due 4/23

~~50 = bonus points if you present at OSU Newark research forum 3/18 Wed. (registration deadline 2/14 Fri.) as either proposed or completed project~~

45 = Honors videoconference with Cairo  
15 prep + 15 participate + 15 reflect

25 = reflective essay, 1-2 pages single-spaced, connecting class material to current events; due 4/2 Th. & 4/9 Th.

lunch meeting points can substitute for low scores for regular class attendance

5 = lunch meeting 1/30 - Warner Center

5 = lunch meeting 2/27 - Scorpios Grill

~~5 = lunch meeting 4/16 - Peony Bistro~~

(all lunch meetings on Thursdays at 11:15a for about an hour)

5 = individual meeting (optional) to discuss poster project

**Reading:** You should come to class having read the appropriate assignments and be prepared to engage with the instructor and your fellow students. Keeping up with the reading is critical to doing well in this class.

**Extra Credit:** Up to 75 points may be earned for extra credit assignments of your choice, including the attendance points discussed above. A handout outlines the available opportunities and deadlines. You should be careful not to undertake extra credit at the expense of other class requirements.

**Late Work:** It is best to submit all materials on time and take quizzes and exams as scheduled. In the case of unavoidable delay or absence, students must e-mail instructor immediately to explain the situation and make alternate arrangements. Documentation may be required and points deducted. Only rarely will late work will be approved for credit, especially in categories with a built-in drop option.

**Incomplete Policy:** Incomplete grades are reserved for very rare circumstances. In order to qualify, you should request an incomplete via e-mail no later than the date of the final exam. Substitute or additional assignments may be designed in order to convert an incomplete to a letter grade. Requirements to convert an incomplete to a letter grade must normally be finished by the beginning of

the seventh week of the following Semester. Students who take an incomplete will automatically receive one grade lower than is earned.

Additional Notes: If you need special accommodations, discuss with instructor the first week of class.

Students are required to be familiar with and abide by the OSU Code of Student Conduct <https://trustees.osu.edu/rules/code-of-student-conduct/3335-23-04.html>. In terms of this class, pay particular attention to the section on academic misconduct. Also review the website of the Committee on Academic Misconduct <http://oaa.osu.edu/academic-integrity-and-misconduct/student-misconduct>. Bottom line - don't cheat. Being unaware of what counts as academic misconduct is not an excuse.

We will use technology in this class (i.e. Carmen, mobile devices, maybe even a few apps), but our focus will be on educational interaction, not socialization. Class time is to be reserved exclusively for paying attention to class material. If you have trouble resisting the urge to post to Instagram about how exciting the day's lecture is, please turn off your mobile device. Learn how to use the "do not disturb" function during class! Laptop and iPad usage in class is for note-taking rather than working in Carmen or checking your e-mail. Those who are distracting to the instructor or others may be asked to leave the class and under such circumstances may not return until after meeting to discuss the situation individually with the instructor. Video or audio recording of class activities is not permitted without prior permission of the instructor.

You are expected to be respectful of others in the class at all times.

Students are responsible for verbal changes to this syllabus announced in class or on Carmen.

Color version of syllabus and "Syllabus in Memes" available on Carmen.

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Spring Semester 2020



**Tentative Course Schedule**  
Tues. 8:00 - 9:20 am, sect. 32571  
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Jan. 7 (Tues): 1<sup>st</sup> day quiz, introductions, syllabus, website, map exercise, reading exercise

- get textbook in Newark Bookstore or online (Mastering + eText bundle 7<sup>th</sup> ed.)**  
there is also a free 14-day trial that allows you to purchase/input your access code later
- link to Pearson's Mastering Geography via Carmen (MyLab and Mastering tab)**
- order print (loose-leaf) copy directly from Pearson for \$35 if desired**
- read Chapter 1**
- watch Th. video - Planet Money Makes a T-Shirt (14:23 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Jan. 10 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Intro. to MasteringGeography" - DUE Jan. 10 (Fri) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch01 Read" - DUE Jan. 12 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch01 MapsM" - DUE Jan. 12 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- post introductions and photos on Carmen - DUE Jan. 12 (Sun) at 11 pm**

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Jan. 14 (Tues): syllabus quiz (attendance points), Chapter 1, globalization, demographics

- review Chapter 1 material**
- watch Th. video - The Globalization of Sesame Street (12:25 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Jan. 17 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch01 Quiz" - DUE Jan. 19 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch01 Spatial" - DUE Jan. 19 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- complete development indicators worksheet - DUE Jan. 21 (Tues) at start of class**

----- Jan. 20 (Mon): CAMPUS CLOSED (MLK Holiday)

Jan. 21 (Tues): development, environmental decision-making, agriculture

- turn in** development indicators worksheet for 1<sup>st</sup> grading - Jan. 21 (Tues) at start of class
- read Chapter 2 (Physical Geography and the Environment)**
- watch Th. video - Dev. Strategies (14:32 min. + browse several additional videos)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Jan. 24 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch02 Read" - DUE Jan. 26 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch02 MapsM" - DUE Jan. 26 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch02 Quiz" - DUE Jan. 26 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch02 Spatial" - DUE Jan. 26 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- Extra Credit - Europe wall map - due online Jan. 28 (Tues) before start of class**

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Jan. 28 (Tues): interactive development indicators exercise

- turn in** development indicators worksheet for 2<sup>nd</sup> grading - Jan. 28 (Tues) at end of class
- Honors Class meeting - lunch at Warner Center 1/30 Th., 11:15a**
- read Chapter 4 (Latin America)**
- watch Th. video - Dev. Strategies Review (6:52 + 3:03 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Jan. 31 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch04 Read" - DUE Feb. 2 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch04 MapsM" - DUE Feb. 2 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- Extra Credit - Latin Am. map - due Feb. 4 (Tues) at start of class

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Feb. 4 (Tues): sample map quiz (attendance points), Latin America

- review Chapter 4 material**
- watch Th. video - ¡Salud! Cuban Health Care (1 hour, 33 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Feb. 7 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch04 Quiz" - DUE Feb. 9 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch04 Spatial" - DUE Feb. 9 (Sun) at 11 pm**

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Feb. 11 (Tues): Latin America, Europe

- Honors OPTIONAL poster presentation 3/18 Wed., 1-4p - abstract deadline 2/14 Fri.**
- read Chapter 8 (Europe)**
- watch Th. video - European Union and Brexit (5:50 + 6:27 + 2:20 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Feb. 14 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch08 Read" - DUE Feb. 16 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch08 MapsM" - DUE Feb. 16 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- study for Midterm Map Quiz**
- Extra Credit - Europe map - due Feb. 18 (Tues) at start of class

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Feb. 18 (Tues): **Map Quiz #1**, Europe

- review Chapter 8 material**
  - no Th. video & no Th. video questions
  - MasteringGeography "Ch08 Quiz" - DUE Feb. 23 (Sun) at 11 pm**
  - MasteringGeography "Ch08 Spatial" - DUE Feb 23 (Sun) at 11 pm**
  - MasteringGeography "Review" Chapters 1, 2, 4, 8 - prep for Midterm (not for credit)**  
(this includes all "Quiz" pool questions, some of which you may not have seen earlier)
  - study for Midterm Exam**
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Feb. 25 (Tues): **Midterm Exam** (photo ID required)

- Honors Class meeting - lunch at Skorprios Grill (56 W Main St.) 2/27 Th., 11:15a**
- read Chapter 9 (Russian Domain)**
- watch Th. video - Ukraine and Russia (3:17 + 5:47 + 6:09 min.)**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE Feb. 28 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch09 Read" - DUE March 1 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch09 MapsM" - DUE March 1 (Sun) at 11 pm**

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March 3 (Tues): Russian Domain

- ~~Honors DRAFT poster due 3/5 Th., 11p~~
- review Chapter 9 material**
- watch Th. video -**
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - DUE March 6 (Fri) at 11pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch09 Quiz" - DUE March 8 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography "Ch09 Spatial" - DUE March 8 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- Extra Credit - Russian Domain & Central Asia map - due March 17 (Tues) at start of class**

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March 10 (Tues): SPRING BREAK

NO CLASS

- get caught up with class work if you have fallen behind
- review class work if you feel the need
- be safe and have fun

----- GEOG 2750 Syllabus CHANGES effective March 2020:

March 17 (Tues): extended SPRING BREAK due to COVID-19

NO CLASS

- ~~Honors OPTIONAL poster presentation 3/18 Wed., 1-4p Research Forum Cancelled~~
- take care of yourself
- balance school and home responsibilities
- figure out how you are going to access class materials from here to end of the semester
- consider your options: extended drop deadline, possible pass/fail options, etc.

Moving forward you will note the following changes due to moving this course entirely online:

- Tues. lecture replaced with Monday videos available at 7a (they will be late the week of 3/23)  
these will be 3-4 videos of ~10-20 minutes each will substitute for our usual Tues. class time
- Tues. attendance activity replaced with Mon. attendance quiz due on Wed. at 11p  
these quizzes can be taken late, but it is best to keep up (note alt. format week of 3/23)
- Map Quiz #2 moved to last week of new semester schedule
- Final Exam date moved to May 1 (Fri) - although no Final Exam for Honors students!  
formats for Map Quiz & Final TBD; probably a mix between take-home and online (timed)
- some other deadlines have shifted as well; read the following schedule carefully!  
deadlines have been changed as appropriate on Carmen as well
- there will not be a revised Extra Credit handout, but deadlines are listed in new schedule;  
additional opportunities will be announced on the Extra Credit discussion board;  
extra credit is now capped at 90 rather than 75 points
- there will be new chapter-specific discussion boards on Carmen  
be sure to use the appropriate discussion board when posting questions or comments

- no more in-person office hours; my office phone now re-routes to home so you can still reach me at that number (740) 364-0643 or via email madsen.34@osu.edu ; if you have a general question of class-wide interest, I encourage you to post it to one of the discussion board

These syllabus items will remain the same:

- Thurs. video still available 7a on Thursdays (although topics are generally moved back one week)
- Thurs. video quiz still due 11p on Fridays; it can be taken late, but it is best to keep up
- Mastering Activities are largely the same as before (with a few tweaks) and still due Sundays at 11p  
late policy same as before: one week free, after that -2 per activity

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week of March 23: Russian Domain, SW Asia & N. Africa

- read Chapter 7 (SW Asia & N. Africa)
- watch Mon. videos
- Mon. "attendance" email to instructor - **DUE** any time this week
- Extra Credit - Russian Domain & Central Asia map - due March 26 (Thurs) at 11p
- Honors video conference with Am. Univ. in Cairo 3/26 (Thurs)., 11a - use Zoom from home  
BEFORE this time, submit 3-4 comments/questions/discussion points on Carmen  
AFTER this time, submit ~1 page (single-spaced) reflection on what you learned  
from the event, making connections to class, etc.
- watch Th. video - Syria & IS (5:27 + 5:18 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** March 27 (Fri) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Read" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 MapsM" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Quiz" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Spatial" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11p

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week of March 30: SW Asia & N. Africa

- read Chapter 12 (South Asia)
- watch Mon. videos
- Mon. "attendance" on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 1 (Wed) at 11p
- Extra Credit - SW Asia & Africa maps - due March 31 (Tues) at 11p
- Honors poster project draft/report due 4/2 Th., 11p
- watch Th. video - Israeli movie "Lemon Tree" (at least 60 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 3 (Fri) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 Read" - **DUE** April 5 (Sun) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 MapsM" - **DUE** April 5 (Sun) at 11p

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week of April 6: South Asia; introduce population exercise

- review Chapter 12 material
- watch Mon. videos
- Mon. "attendance" on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 8 (Wed) at 11p
- Extra Credit - South Asia / East Asia map - due April 7 (Tues) at 11p
- Honors reflection due 4/9 (Thurs), 11p
- watch Th. video - Israeli movie "Lemon Tree" (finish film; total length 1 hr. 42 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11p



- complete population pyramid exercise/worksheet online - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11p
  - MasteringGeography "Ch12 Quiz" - **DUE** April 12 (Sun) at 11p
  - MasteringGeography "Ch12 Spatial" - **DUE** April 12 (Sun) at 11p
- note:  
Easter Sunday

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week of April 13: South Asia, East Asia

- read selected portions only of Chapter 11 (East Asia) - see study guide
- watch Mon. videos
- Mon. "attendance" on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 15 (Wed) at 11p
- Extra Credit - Cairo, Egypt video conference April 15 (Wed) at 11a via Zoom  
see extra credit handout for details; additional points for preparation and reflection
- Honors poster project draft/report due 4/16 (Thurs), 11p
- watch Th. video - Bollywood (30:00 + 30:00 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch11 Read" - **DUE** April 19 (Sun) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch11 MapsM" - **DUE** April 19 (Sun) at 11p
- study for Final Map Quiz

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week of April 20: **Map Quiz #2**, East Asia, class evaluations

- catch up on reading & review as needed
- watch Mon. videos
- Mon. "attendance" on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 22 (Wed) at 11p
- Map Quiz #2** on Tuesday, format to be determined
- Extra Credit - lecture (two weeks) or reading notes (one chapter) due April 21 (Tues) 11p  
include half-page (single-spaced) self-analysis of effectiveness of your note-taking
- Honors FINAL poster due 4/23 (Thurs), 11p
- watch Th. video - globalization in review (3:13 + 13:30 + 5:38 + 6:11 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 17 (Fri) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch11 Quiz" - **DUE** April 24 (Fri) at 11p
- MasteringGeography "Ch11 Spatial" - **DUE** April 24 (Fri) at 11p  
note: MasteringGeography activities will be available one day early  
this week (Mon. instead of Tues.) since they are due on Friday
- ~~study for Final Exam~~ not required of Honors students if you do poster project

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- MasteringGeography "Review" Chapters 9, 7, 12, 11 - prep for Final (not for credit)  
note: available starting April 25 (Sat) at 7a  
this includes all "Quiz" pool questions, some of which you may not have seen earlier
- ~~study for Final Exam~~

May 1 (Fri): **Final Exam, 12:40p - 2:25p** (11:10a section), format to be determined

- have a great summer



March 17 (Tues): Russian Domain, SW Asia & N. Africa

- read Chapter 7 (SW Asia & N. Africa)
- watch Th. video -
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** March 20 (Fri) at 11pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Read" - **DUE** March 22 (Sun) at 11 pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 MapsM" - **DUE** March 22 (Sun) at 11 pm

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March 24 (Tues): SW Asia & N. Africa

- review Chapter 7 material
- watch Th. video -
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** March 27 (Fri) at 11pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Quiz" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11 pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch07 Spatial" - **DUE** March 29 (Sun) at 11 pm
- Extra Credit - SW Asia & Africa maps - due March 31 (Tues) at start of class

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March 31 (Tues): South Asia, introduce population exercise

- read Chapter 12 (South Asia)
- watch Th. video -
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 3 (Fri) at 11pm
- continue population pyramid exercise/worksheet online - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11 pm  
note: no office hours next Mon.; slow email responses expected this week and next
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 Read" - **DUE** April 5 (Sun) at 11 pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 MapsM" - **DUE** April 5 (Sun) at 11 pm
- Extra Credit - South Asia / East Asia map - due April 7 (Tues) at start of class
- study for Final Map Quiz

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April 7 (Tues): **Map Quiz #2**, South Asia [guest lecture]

[no office hours this week]

- Honors reflection due 4/9 Th., 11p
- review Chapter 12 material
- watch Th. video - Bollywood (30:00 + 30:00 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11pm
- complete population pyramid exercise/worksheet online - **DUE** April 10 (Fri) at 11 pm
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 Quiz" - **DUE** April 12 (Sun) at 11 pm note:
- MasteringGeography "Ch12 Spatial" - **DUE** April 12 (Sun) at 11 pm Easter Sunday

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April. 14 (Tues): East Asia, class evaluations

- Honors Class meeting - lunch at Peony Bistro (1230 W. Church St.) 4/16 Th., 11:15a
- read selected portions only of Chapter 11 (East Asia) - see study guide
- watch Th. video - globalization in review (3:13 + 13:30 + 5:38 + 6:11 min.)
- Th. video questions on Carmen Quiz - **DUE** April 17 (Fri) at 11pm

- MasteringGeography “Ch11 Read” - DUE April 18 (Sat) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography “Ch11 MapsM” - DUE April 18 (Sat) at 11 pm**  
note: MasteringGeography activities will be available one day early this week  
since there are four Ch. 11 activities and “Read” and “MapsM” are due on Saturday
- MasteringGeography “Ch11 Quiz” - DUE April 19 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- MasteringGeography “Ch11 Spatial” - DUE April 19 (Sun) at 11 pm**
- study for Final Exam**

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April 21 (Tues): READING DAY - NO CLASS

- MasteringGeography “Review” Chapters 9, 7, 12, 11 - prep for Final (not for credit)**  
(this includes all “Quiz” pool questions, some of which you may not have seen earlier)
- study for Final Exam**

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April 28 (Tues): **Final Exam, 8:00a - 9:45a**

- have a great summer**

Color version of schedule available on Carmen.

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