

Syllabus for  
**Dept. Seminar: History 490 Cultural Geography**  
3 Credit hours  
Fall 2022

Coronavirus: All faculty members and students are expected to be face-to-face in the classroom except under conditions provided in the ORU Coronavirus Response Plan, which can be found at <https://oru.edu/campus-health/>.

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

A survey of the role geography plays in cultural development. Course will examine the world in view of contemporary issues of globalization, comparing such cultural traits as religion, language, demography, and economics.

Honors Distinctive:

Honors students will complete an additional PowerPoint presentation.

Prerequisites: None

Course fee: None

II. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR THIS COURSE

A. Terminal Objectives

As a result of successfully completing this course, the student will be able to do the following:

1. Fill in maps for each part of the world.
2. Identify the major religions of the world and locate them geographically.
3. Match nations with their cultural distinctive.

B. Unit Objectives

As a result of successfully completing this unit, the student will be able to do the following:

1. Complete a map with the correct location of nations.
2. Present a PowerPoint presentation explaining the cultural distinctive of nations.

III. ASSOCIATED PROGRAMS

This course meets degree completion requirements for the History program.

IV. TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER LEARNING RESOURCES

Required Materials

Textbooks

Rubenstein, James. (2011) *The Cultural Landscape: An Intro to Human Geography 10<sup>th</sup> Edition*. New York: Prentice Hall. ISBN 0-321-67735-8

## V. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

### A. University Policies and Procedures

1. Students and faculty at Oral Roberts University must adhere to all laws addressing the ethical use of others' materials, whether it is in the form of print, electronic, video, multimedia, or computer software. Plagiarism and other forms of cheating involve both lying and stealing and are violations of ORU's Honor Code: "I will not cheat or plagiarize; I will do my own academic work and will not inappropriately collaborate with other students on assignments." Plagiarism is usually defined as copying someone else's ideas, words, or sentence structure and submitting them as one's own. Other forms of academic dishonesty include (but are not limited to) the following:
  - a. Submitting another's work as one's own or colluding with someone else and submitting that work as though it were his or hers;
  - b. Failing to meet group assignment or project requirements while claiming to have done so;
  - c. Failing to cite sources used in a paper;
  - d. Creating results for experiments, observations, interviews, or projects that were not done;
  - e. Receiving or giving unauthorized help on assignments.By submitting an assignment in any form, the student gives permission for the assignment to be checked for plagiarism, either by submitting the work for electronic verification or by other means. Penalties for any of the above infractions may result in disciplinary action including failing the assignment or failing the course or expulsion from the University, as determined by department and University guidelines.
2. Final exams cannot be given before their scheduled times. Students need to check the final exam schedule before planning return flights or other events at the end of the semester.
3. Students are to be in compliance with University, school, and departmental policies regarding the Whole Person Assessment requirements. Students should consult the Whole Person Assessment handbooks for requirements regarding general education and the students' majors.
  - a. The penalty for not submitting electronically or for incorrectly submitting an artifact is a zero for that assignment.
  - b. By submitting an assignment, the student gives permission for the assignment to be assessed electronically.

### A. Course Policies and Procedures

1. Evaluation Procedures
  - a. Students will have 3 exams each worth 100 points.
  - b. Students will write and present 3 PowerPoint presentations on a current world event also worth a total of 100 points. This makes a total of 400 points. 360^ is A, 320^ is B, etc.
2. Whole Person Assessment Requirements

None

VI. COURSE CALENDAR

One chapter will be done each week, tests after every four chapters.