



## SSC 101: Introduction to Geography

This course is an introductory, one-semester study of the physical, cultural, and regional patterns of the Earth's surface. The course stresses fundamental geographic concepts within a study of the relationship between the physical environment and human actions over time. Prerequisite: A passing score on the College's writing and reading placement tests or, C or better or concurrent enrollment in ENG 091 or ENG 092. Three lecture hours per week. Gen. Ed. Competencies Met: Critical Thinking, Global and Historic Awareness and Multicultural and Social Perspectives.

### Course Student Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to: 1. Describe the physical and cultural features of the earth's surface, their origins, and how they are interconnected. 2. Explain the dynamic physical forces of the earth's surface such as climate, plate tectonics, erosion, and deposition. 3. Identify the major physical and cultural regions that the earth's surface has evolved into. 4. Evaluate the evolution and geographic distribution of such social phenomena as human population, economic activity, culture, language, and religion. 5. Assess the reasons why the economic development and wealth of the world is so unevenly geographically distributed.

**Credits:** 3

**Program:** Social Science