

WORLD GEOGRAPHY
GRADES 9 - 10
(1 Semester)

COURSE OVERVIEW:

World Geography is designed to provide students with the opportunity to explore the political, social, cultural, and economic relationships throughout the world. The course focuses on developing geographical skills in order to understand the ways in which the physical environment and economy affect our world. Regions that will be explored in this course are Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Students interested in understanding the interactions of nations today are encouraged to enroll.

UNITS OF INSTRUCTION:

- UNIT I - Overview of Geography
- UNIT II - The Americas and Europe
- UNIT III - Africa and Asia

STUDENT OUTCOMES:

1. Read maps and other geographic materials and technologies to interpret spatial patterns and distributions.(17A)
2. Identify major regions of the world and analyze their relationship to their physical environment. (17B)
3. Familiarize students with how technology alters global interactions (17C)
4. Acquaint students with various countries, economic activities and analyze how they relate with growth trends. (17C)
5. Identify how spatial change has affected human history. (17D)

MAJOR LEARNING EXPERIENCES TO ACHIEVE OUTCOMES:

1. Develop interpreting map skills to answer complex geographic questions.
2. Use maps and other geographic materials to analyze special patterns and distributions on earth. Participate in cooperative learning activities.
3. Develop researching skills by using the Internet and other technology.
4. Produce a travel journal that examines issues and concerns of a particular region.
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ADOPTED TEXT OR PRINCIPAL MATERIALS USED:

Boehm, Richard G. *World Geography*. New York: Glencoe, 1997
The Nystrom Desk Atlas. Chicago: Nystrom, 1994.

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