

Course objectives: The goal of Geog 101A is to introduce students to how the ecosphere functions and the ways in which humans interact with the natural environment. There is a strong emphasis on gaining understanding of key environmental problems and developing more sustainable approaches to societal interactions with the environment.

Summary of assessment:

Exams 55% (Midterm Exam Feb 24th, 15%; Final 40%)

Labs 45% (Assignments* 35%; Participation (attendance and contribution): 10%)

*Readings refer to chapters in the course text, unless otherwise specified.

Note: Last day for adding courses is Jan 22nd 2020. Last day for dropping without penalty is Feb 29th 2020.

Undergraduate grading: (see UVic Calendar Grading Scale online for details)

A+ (grade point value = 9), 90-100%; A (g.p. value = 8), 85-89%; A- (g.p. value = 7), 80-84%
B+ (g.p. value = 6), 77-79%; B (g.p. value = 5), 73-76%; B- (g.p. value = 4), 70-72%
C+ (g.p. value = 3), 65-69%; C (g.p. value = 2), 60-64%; D (g.p. value = 1), 50-59%
F (g.p. value = 0), 0-49% (completed course); N (g.p. value = 0), 0-49% (incomplete course requirements)

Academic integrity: Please review the university policy on academic integrity and useful information on avoiding plagiarism.

<http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2015-01/FACS/UnIn/UARe/PoAcI.html>

If problems arise and you cannot complete your assignments on time or cannot write the exams, it is your responsibility to discuss this with the course instructor, Counselling Centre, or your lab instructor,