

# C-ID Descriptor

## Introduction to Human Geography

### Descriptor Details

- **Descriptor Title:** Introduction to Human Geography
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### General Description

This course is a study of diverse human populations, their cultural origins, diffusion and contemporary spatial expressions. Topics include: demography, languages and religions, urbanization and landscape modification, political units and nationalism, and economic systems and development.

At some colleges this course is referred to as “Introduction to *Cultural* Geography”.

### Prerequisites

No information provided

### Corequisites

No information provided

### Advisories

No information provided

### Content

1. The distribution of the human population and the processes (both historical and contemporary) that shape this distribution;

2. The origins, diversity, and distribution of basic cultural patterns, with particular attention given to: language, religion, urbanization, political and economic patterns, and human-environment interactions; and
3. Basic concepts used in the geographic study of human patterns including: diffusion, cultural landscapes, cultural ecology, and cultural regions.

### **Lab Activities**

No information provided

### **Objectives**

*At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:*

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the distribution of the human population and the processes (both historical and contemporary) that shape this distribution;
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the origins, diversity, and distribution of basic cultural patterns, with particular attention given to: language, religion, urbanization, political and economic patterns, and human-environment interactions; and
3. Demonstrate an understanding of basic concepts used in the geographic study of human patterns including: diffusion, cultural landscapes, cultural ecology, and cultural regions.

### **Evaluation Methods**

Objective and subjective midterm and final examinations. Reports or projects, homework problems, and/or laboratory reports.

### **Textbooks**

Human Mosaic (Bychkov-Jordan)  
Introduction to Human Geography (Rubenstein)

Or other college level text as selected by instructor.