

Why Should I Take an AP Class?

- ◆ Earn free college credits, save money on college tuition, and open space in your college schedule for elective classes you want to take
- ◆ Impress college admission counselors by building a transcript that will demonstrate your willingness to challenge yourself
- ◆ Find your passion—you could discover a new topic or idea that could become the foundation of your future college major or career.

Students who take longer to graduate from a public college or university typically pay between \$8,000 and \$19,000 for each additional year.

The typical college cost per year for a four-year public institution is \$7,662 for in-state students and \$18,529 for out-of-state students.²



Students attending private institutions who take longer than four years to graduate might expect to incur \$26,197² for each additional year it takes to earn a bachelor's degree.

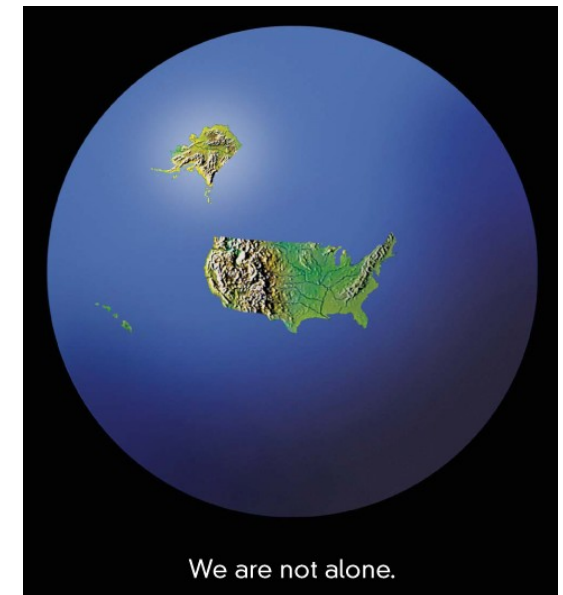
Geography & the Cultural Landscape

Human geographers are always interested in ways that humans have left an impact on the physical landscape. What can you conclude about each of the following places and cultures based on the pictures below?



AP Human Geography

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There is a wonderful world all around us. Full of fascinating places. Interesting people. Amazing cultures. Geography is what brings it to life.

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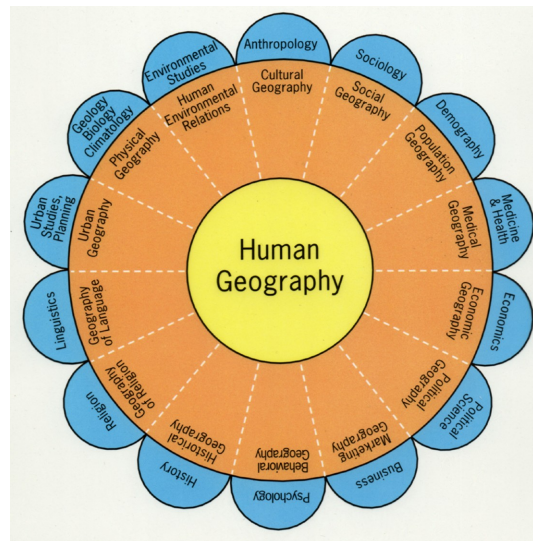
Course Requirements & Benefits

- ◆ One semester, one credit elective class open to juniors and seniors
- ◆ Ideal to balance your schedule with Honors US History, Government (AP or Honors) or any other single semester AP class.
- ◆ Can be taken in addition to AP US History in 11th grade
- ◆ Must have already completed World Studies II or AP European History
- ◆ Develop college level reading, writing, and study skills
- ◆ Develop a complex understanding of the world in preparation for a career in the global marketplace



What is AP Human Geography?

In its most simple form AP Human Geography is best described as “The Why of Where”. Of course geographers are concerned with the location of human phenomena around the world, but most importantly geographers want to figure out *how* and *why* humans use space in particular ways.



What Topics Will We Study?

- ◆ Unit 1 is an introduction to the five major themes of geography: **Location, Place, Region, Movement, and Human-Environment Interaction**
- ◆ Unit 2 is about **Culture** and includes topics such as the geography of languages & religion, popular culture, folk cultures, and ethnic identity.

- ◆ Unit 3 is **Political Geography** and focuses on both relations among the world's countries by exploring issues such as alliances (European Union, NAFTA, etc..) & conflicts (border, ethnic, etc.) as well as issues within countries such as electoral geography.
- ◆ Unit 4 is **Agricultural Geography** and focuses on how the planet's 7 billion people use space to produce food. Topics include agribusiness, organic farming, and the environmental consequences of human behaviors.
- ◆ Unit 5 is **Industry & Economic Development** and deals with topics related to the location of various types of economic activities, globalization, deindustrialization, and various approaches to global economic development initiatives.
- ◆ Unit 6 is **Population and Migration**. Topics include population growth and decline over time and space, demographic composition, and international as well as internal migration patterns.
- ◆ Unit 7 is **Urban Geography** and deals with the design and functionality of cities, suburbs, and larger concepts related to ways in which humans shape and impact the built environment and space.