

GEOG 222

In this course we explore the physical and human geographies of Canada to uncover how they have combined to create unique economic regions. We begin by describing and explaining Canada's varied physical base, focussing on its physiography, climate, soils and vegetation. We then examine the country's human geography by uncovering the migration patterns and activities of Canada's first, second, and third people, and the negotiation process by which Indigenous territory changed hands. In the third module, we consider the unique economic identities of Canada's six 'meso-regions' (Ontario, Quebec, Atlantic Canada, the West, B.C. and the Northern Territories) and explore the tensions that have accompanied their creation.

The online format will involve narrative PowerPoint slides and textbook readings. The assessment will consist of one assignment (25%), one quiz (25%), two discussion board postings (10%) and a take-home exam (40%).