



# GEOG 1035 Human Geography – Winter 2025

## Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences

WHEN: MON, WED: 2:35PM—3:55PM

WHERE: KILLAM LIBRARY, MACMECHAN AUDITORIUM

*Dalhousie University acknowledges that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People and pays respect to the Indigenous knowledges held by the Mi'kmaq People, and to the wisdom of their Elders past and present. The Mi'kmaq People signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Crown, and section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 recognizes and affirms Aboriginal and Treaty rights. We are all Treaty people.*

*Dalhousie University also acknowledges the histories, contributions, and legacies of African Nova Scotians, who have been here for over 400 years.*

### COURSE INSTRUCTOR(S)

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Human geography examines the ways that people perceive, use, and alter the landscapes they occupy. This course considers aspects of culture that characterize different social groups, as well as the systems of production, livelihood, spatial organization, and administration that societies erect and which create, change, or destroy the landscapes within which we exist. The class introduces the principal tools of human geographers: maps, demography, and analysis of cultural patterns. This course is about the past, present, and future of how we work and live together – or how we don't and fail.

### COURSE PREREQUISITES

None.

### COURSE EXCLUSIONS

None, but it should be noted that this class cannot be used to meet the life or physical science subject requirement for the BA degree.

### COURSE DELIVERY

**Course delivery is in-person. Delivery consists of a blend of lectures, discussion, and in-class exercises; regular attendance is highly recommended.**

*Note: I am committed to teaching—in class, by email, in marking assignments and exams—and you can expect me to be fair and to want you to learn. I encourage questions, discussion, and a safe and inclusive learning environment. If you*

are having trouble, let me know. For your part, I hope the respect will be mutual and that the next twelve weeks will be an enjoyable learning experience!

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Introduction of key geographical principles, ideas, and approaches; examination of the history and nature of the discipline and its interdisciplinary and intersectional areas of knowledge,
- Exploration of a range of current issues from a geographical perspective, how these issues developed over time and the impacts they have at various scales from local to international,
- Development of geographic approaches and analyses that can be applied to political, economic, social, natural, and cultural aspects of our world.
- Develop critical thinking and communication skills for academic and work settings.

### ASSESSMENT:

Assignment		Due Date	total%
Workshop01		27 January	15%
Workshop02 (IN CLASS)	Part A	12 February	5%
	Part B	26 February	5%
	Part C	19 March	5%
Test 01 (in class, paper, 60 minutes)		5 February	20%
Test 02 (in class, paper, 60 minutes)		12 March	25%
Test 03 (Final Exam period, paper, 60 minutes)		(see Fall Exam schedule)	25%

**Note: Tests will cover material presented in lectures, discussions, and workshops only!**

Conversion of numerical grades to final letter grades follows the [Dalhousie Grade Scale](#)

A+ (90-100)	B+ (77-79)	C+ (65-69)	D (50-54)
A (85-89)	B (73-76)	C (60-64)	F (0-49)
A- (80-84)	B- (70-72)	C- (55-59)	

### COURSE POLICIES ON MISSED OR LATE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

#### **What happens if I miss class?!**

- **If you miss a lecture:** Lectures will not be recorded, but lecture slides will be provided via Brightspace. No email or SDA needed.
- **If you miss an in-class discussion:** No email or SDA needed. But discussion material is testable, so go to the Discussion module of the day you missed and be sure to read the Discussion Guide and any required readings. Be able to answer any questions that are posted in the Discussion Guide.
- **If you miss an in-class workshop:** Email me or our TA/Marker ASAP and submit an SDA. If we approve your reason for missing a workshop, you will be able to make up that assignment.
- **If you miss a test:** see MISSED TEST, below.

## LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

Late assignments (i.e., Workshops) will be assessed a 10%/day late penalty unless I have approved an alternate deadline. **Workshops will not be accepted later than three days after the initial deadline and graded as a zero (0) unless I have approved an alternate deadline.**

## MISSED TEST: Make-up tests will not be provided for any reason.

However, if you miss a Test due to illness or family emergency (and only these reasons) email me as soon as possible and submit an SDA.

**If I approve your reason for missing a Test**, I will reweight the remaining tests.

- If Test01 is missed, then Test02 = 35% and Test03 = 35%.
- If Test02 is missed then Test01 = 30% and Test03 = 40% OR Test03 = 50%, whichever results in a higher Final Grade.
- If Test01 and Test02 are missed, Test03 will be worth 70%.
- If Test03 is missed, a make-up exam must be taken in the beginning of the Winter term. This exam will be cumulative and will not be the same format as in-class tests.

## COURSE POLICIES RELATED TO ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

**Workshops:** Collaboration is encouraged, but each person submits their own work for assessment.

**Tests:** Individual work only.

*Note: Generative AI (i.e., ChatGPT) may be very useful as a study tool! However, work turned in for assessment should not use generative AI for content.*

## COURSE MATERIALS

The 'textbook' can be accessed through the link below. I refer to readings for this resource as *IHR* + Chapter and Section number.

These readings are supplemental to lectures and recommended only. You will not be tested on information found solely in the textbook.

Dastrup, R. Adam. (2019) *Introduction to Human Geography*. OER Commons.

<https://oercommons.org/courses/introduction-to-human-geography/view>

Other readings may be posted to Brightspace as links or pdfs, which may contain testable material.

## COURSE CONTENT/OUTLINE

*Readings and course topics subject to changes: check Brightspace often!*

### WEEK/DATE TOPIC AND READINGS

Week01

**6 Jan** Lecture01: Course Introduction; Introduction to Human Geography  
Readings: *IHR* 1.1-1.3

**8 Jan** Lecture02: Core Concepts in Human Geography, Space/Place  
Readings: IHR 1.1-1.3

Week02

**13 Jan** Lecture03: Distance and Location; Reading Maps  
Readings: IHR 1.1-1.3  
**Discussion01: Local Menu**

**15 Jan** Lecture04: Population and Migration  
Readings: IHR 2.1-2.4; 5.1, 6.1

Week03

**20 Jan** Lecture05: Economic Geography  
Readings: IHR 5.1-5.3

Last day to  
add classes

**Workshop01: Maps, Census, Indicators (Due 27 January, 15%)**

**22 Jan** Lecture06: Treaty Geographies: Guest Lecture, Dr. Jason Grek Martin, SMU  
Readings: TBA

Week 04

**27 Jan** Lecture07: Globalization and Sustainable Development  
Readings: IHR 5.3-5.6; 8.1-8.3  
**Discussion02: World Population and Global Inequalities**  
**Workshop01 DUE**

**29 Jan** Lecture08: Global Cities and City Models  
Readings: IHR 7.1-7.3

Week 05

**3 Feb** Lecture09: Cities: Guest lecture with Dr. Mathew Novak, SMU  
Readings: IHR 7.3-7.4

**5 Feb** **TEST01: Material covered: 8 January – 3 February (IN CLASS, 20%)**

Week 06

**10 Feb** Lecture10: Rural Geographies  
Readings: IHR 6.1-6.3

**12 Feb** **Workshop02: A Sense of Place, Part A (DUE IN CLASS, 5%)**

Week 07

**17-21 Feb** Winter Break! No classes.

Week 08

**24 Feb** Lecture11: Agriculture and Food Production  
Readings: IHR 6.4-6.5

**26 Feb** **Workshop02: A Sense of Place, Part B (DUE IN CLASS, 5%)**

Week 09

**3 March** Lecture 12: Industrial Geography  
*Readings: IHR 5.1*

**5 March** Lecture 13: Transportation & Trade  
*Readings: IHR 5.5*  
**Discussion03: Commodity Chains**

Week 10

**10 March** Lecture 14: Tourism  
*Readings: TBA*

**12 March** **TEST02 (Material covered: 10 February – 10 March) (IN CLASS, 25%)**

Week 11

**17 March** Lecture 15: Cultural Geography  
*Readings: IHR 3.1-3.4*

**19 March** **Workshop02: A Sense of Place, Part C (DUE IN CLASS, 5%)**

Week 12

**24 March** Lecture 16: Language and Geography  
*Readings: IHR 3.3*

**26 March** Lecture 17: Geographies of Race  
*Readings: IHR 3.1*

Week 13

**31 March** Lecture 18: Gender, Sexuality, and Place  
*Readings: TBA*

**2 April** Lecture 19: Place, Identity, and Nature; Course Wrap-up!  
*(No readings)*

**FINAL EXAM** (check schedule): **Test03 (Material covered: 17 March – 2 April) (25%)**

*Note: The final exam will NOT be cumulative UNLESS you miss the final exam (for any reason) and take the make-up exam in the following term.*

# University Policies and Statements

## Recognition of Mi'kmaq Territory

Dalhousie University would like to acknowledge that the University is on Traditional Mi'kmaq Territory. The Elders in Residence program provides students with access to First Nations elders for guidance, counsel, and support. Visit or e-mail the Indigenous Student Centre at 1321 Edward St or [elders@dal.ca](mailto:elders@dal.ca). Additional information regarding the Indigenous Student Centre can be found at: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/communities/indigenous.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/indigenous.html)

## Internationalization

At Dalhousie, 'thinking and acting globally' enhances the quality and impact of education, supporting learning that is "interdisciplinary, cross-cultural, global in reach, and orientated toward solving problems that extend across national borders." Additional internationalization information can be found at: <https://www.dal.ca/about-dal/internationalization.html>

## Academic Integrity

At Dalhousie University, we are guided in all our work by the values of academic integrity: honesty, trust, fairness, responsibility, and respect. As a student, you are required to demonstrate these values in all the work you do. The University provides policies and procedures that every member of the university community is required to follow to ensure academic integrity. Additional academic integrity information can be found at: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/academic-integrity.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/academic-integrity.html)

## Accessibility

The Student Accessibility Centre is Dalhousie's centre of expertise for matters related to student accessibility and accommodation. If there are aspects of the design, instruction, and/or experiences within this course (online or in-person) that result in barriers to your inclusion, please contact the Student Accessibility Centre ([https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/accessibility.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/accessibility.html)) for all courses offered by Dalhousie with the exception of Truro. For courses offered by the Faculty of Agriculture, please contact the Student Success Centre in Truro (<https://www.dal.ca/about-dal/agricultural-campus/student-success-centre.html>)

## Conduct in the Classroom – Culture of Respect

Substantial and constructive dialogue on challenging issues is an important part of academic inquiry and exchange. It requires willingness to listen and tolerance of opposing points of view. Consideration of individual differences and alternative viewpoints is required of all class members, towards each other, towards instructors, and towards guest speakers. While expressions of differing perspectives

are welcome and encouraged, the words and language used should remain within acceptable bounds of civility and respect.

### **Diversity and Inclusion – Culture of Respect**

Every person at Dalhousie has a right to be respected and safe. We believe inclusiveness is fundamental to education. We stand for equality. Dalhousie is strengthened in our diversity. We are a respectful and inclusive community. We are committed to being a place where everyone feels welcome and supported, which is why our Strategic Direction prioritizes fostering a culture of diversity and inclusiveness (Strategic Priority 5.2). Additional diversity and inclusion information can be found at: <http://www.dal.ca/cultureofrespect.html>

### **Student Code of Conduct**

Everyone at Dalhousie is expected to treat others with dignity and respect. The Code of Student Conduct allows Dalhousie to take disciplinary action if students don't follow this community expectation. When appropriate, violations of the code can be resolved in a reasonable and informal manner - perhaps through a restorative justice process. If an informal resolution can't be reached, or would be inappropriate, procedures exist for formal dispute resolution. The full Code of Student Conduct can be found at: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/policies/student-life/code-of-student-conduct.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/student-life/code-of-student-conduct.html)

### **Fair Dealing Policy**

The Dalhousie University Fair Dealing Policy provides guidance for the limited use of copyright protected material without the risk of infringement and without having to seek the permission of copyright owners. It is intended to provide a balance between the rights of creators and the rights of users at Dalhousie. Additional information regarding the Fair Dealing Policy can be found at: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/policies/academic/fair-dealing-policy-.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/academic/fair-dealing-policy-.html)

### **Originality Checking Software**

The course instructor may use Dalhousie's approved originality checking software and Google to check the originality of any work submitted for credit, in accordance with the Student Submission of Assignments and Use of Originality Checking Software Policy. Students are free, without penalty of grade, to choose an alternative method of attesting to the authenticity of their work and must inform the instructor no later than the last day to add/drop classes of their intent to choose an alternate method. Additional information regarding Originality Checking Software can be found at: <https://www.dal.ca/about/leadership-governance/academic-integrity/faculty-resources/original-plagiarism-detection.html>

## Student Use of Course Materials

Course materials are designed for use as part of this course at Dalhousie University and are the property of the instructor unless otherwise stated. Third party copyrighted materials (such as books, journal articles, music, videos, etc.) have either been licensed for use in this course or fall under an exception or limitation in Canadian Copyright law. Copying this course material for distribution (e.g. uploading to a commercial third-party website) may lead to a violation of Copyright law.

## Student Resources and Support

### University Policies and Programs

Important Dates in the Academic Year (including add/drop dates):

[http://www.dal.ca/academics/important\\_dates.html](http://www.dal.ca/academics/important_dates.html)

Classroom Recording Protocol: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/policies/academic/classroom-recording-protocol.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/academic/classroom-recording-protocol.html)

Dalhousie Grading Practices Policies: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/policies/academic/grading-practices-policy.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/academic/grading-practices-policy.html)

Grade Appeal Process: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/grades-and-student-records/appealing-a-grade.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/grades-and-student-records/appealing-a-grade.html)

Sexualized Violence Policy: [https://www.dal.ca/dept/university\\_secretariat/policies/health-and-safety/sexualized-violence-policy.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/health-and-safety/sexualized-violence-policy.html)

Scent-Free Program: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/occupational-safety/scent-free.html>

### Learning and Support Resources

General Academic Support – Advising (Halifax): [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/advising.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/advising.html)

General Academic Support – Advising (Truro): <https://www.dal.ca/about-dal/agricultural-campus/ssc/academic-support/advising.html>

Student Health & Wellness Centre: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/health-and-wellness.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/health-and-wellness.html)

On Track (helps you transition into university, and supports you through your first year at Dalhousie and beyond): [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/On-track.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/On-track.html)

Indigenous Student Centre: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/communities/indigenous.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/indigenous.html)

Indigenous Connection: <https://www.dal.ca/about-dal/indigenous-connection.html>

Elders-in-Residence (The Elders in Residence program provides students with access to First Nations elders for guidance, counsel, and support. Visit the office in the Indigenous Student Centre or contact the program at



[elders@dal.ca](mailto:elders@dal.ca) or 902-494-6803: <https://cdn.dal.ca/content/dam/dalhousie/pdf/academics/UG/indigenous-studies/Elder-Protocol-July2018.pdf>

Black Student Advising Centre: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/communities/black-student-advising.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/black-student-advising.html)

International Centre: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/international-centre.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/international-centre.html)

South House Sexual and Gender Resource Centre: <https://southhousehalifax.ca/about/>

LGBTQ2SIA+ Collaborative: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/vpei/edia/education/community-specific-spaces/LGBTQ2SIA-collaborative.html>

Dalhousie Libraries: <http://libraries.dal.ca/>

Copyright Office: <https://libraries.dal.ca/services/copyright-office.html>

Dalhousie Student Advocacy Services: <https://www.dsu.ca/dsas?rq=student%20advocacy>

Dalhousie Ombudsperson: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/safety-respect/student-rights-and-responsibilities/where-to-get-help/ombudsperson.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/safety-respect/student-rights-and-responsibilities/where-to-get-help/ombudsperson.html)

Human Rights and Equity Services: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/hres.html>

Writing Centre: [https://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/writing-and-study-skills.html](https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/writing-and-study-skills.html)

Study Skills/Tutoring: [http://www.dal.ca/campus\\_life/academic-support/study-skills-and-tutoring.html](http://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/study-skills-and-tutoring.html)

Faculty of Science Advising Support: <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/science/current-students/undergrad-students/degree-planning.html>

## **Safety**

Biosafety: <http://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/biosafety.html>

Chemical Safety: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/chemical-safety.html>

Radiation Safety: <http://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/radiation-safety.html>

Laser Safety: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/radiation-safety/laser-safety.html>