**SUST 313 Pacific Northwest**

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**Class meets at Vick 129 W 5:30 – 7:20 as a hybrid**

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Course Overview:

In this course we will describe and explain the physical and human landscapes of the contemporary Pacific Northwest, and examine the links between them.

Required Reading:

1. White, Richard, 1995. The Organic Machine. New York, Hill and Wang.
2. Jackson & Kimmerling, 2003. Atlas of the Pacific Northwest, Corvallis, OSU Press. <http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/concern/defaults/8049gb40c>
3. Online readings (see next page)

Course Outcomes

\* Analyze interrelationships between humans and the environment (Inquiry & Analysis)

\* Students understand sustainability in a geographic framework of cultural, economic, and natural environments

Course Requirements:

Five quizzes, two essays or exercises (currently in formation), participation, and a term paper are the basis for your grade in this class. To calculate your grade at the end of the term, quizzes will constitute around fifty percent, the term paper about twenty percent, and the rest will be based on participation and the essays/exercises. These weightings may be updated somewhat.

The term paper should be on some topic relevant to the geography of the Pacific Northwest. It should be at least 2500 words in 11 or 12 point font and should contain a significant number of sources cited in the text and listed at the end. Term paper topics for you to research and write on will be offered in the Canvas pages as the term progress. You may use sources from the Internet; however, the paper should be grounded in the scholarly, peer-reviewed literature. Late papers will be accepted with an automatic 10 percent deduction, up to four days after due date. No papers will be accepted beyond four days after due date.

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| Grade | Percent |  | Minus and plus grades will be assessed for the upper and lower two percentage points in each grade range. For example, 89% is a B+, while 71% is a C-. |
| A | 90-100 |  |
| B | 80-89.9 |  |
| C | 70-79.9 |  |
| D  F | 60-69.9  <60 |  |

**Schedule and Topics\***

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| Time Frame | Topics | Details |
| Week 1  Sept 28 - Oct 4 | Introduction, Regionalization, Geohistory, Earthquakes and Tsunamis | consult Canvas |
| Week 2 Oct 5–11 | Ice Age Floods, Climate | consult Canvas |
| **Oct 12**  **Wednesday 5:30 - 7:20**  At WOU Salem room 221 | **Quiz 1 over weeks 1 & 2 materials** | consult Canvas |
| Week 3  Oct 12-18 | Climate, Vegetation, and Fire; or Timber Wars tba  **Exercise #1 assigned: Is the Climate of Western Oregon Changing?** | consult Canvas |
| Week 4 Oct 19- 25 | Coastal Environments:  Sustainability | consult Canvas |
| **October 24, anytime by email** | **Exercise #1 the Changing Climate of the PNW due** | consult Canvas |
| **Oct 26**  **Wednesday 5:30 - 7:20** | **Quiz 2 over weeks 3 & 4 materials** | consult Canvas |
| Week 5 Oct 26 - Nov 1 | Water Resources | consult Canvas |
| Week 6 Nov 2 - 8 | Salmon | consult Canvas |
| **Nov 9**  **Wednesday 5:30 - 7:20** | **Quiz 3 over weeks 5 & 6 materials** | consult Canvas |
| Week 7 Nov 9 - 15 | Energy Systems  **Exercise 2 will probably be assigned sometime this week.** Details including due date will eventually appear in Canvas | consult Canvas |
| Week 8 Nov 16 - 22 | The First People | consult Canvas |
| **Nov 23**  **Wednesday 5:30 - 7:20** | **Quiz 4 over weeks 7 & 8 materials** | consult Canvas |
| Week 9 Nov 23 - 29 | The Newcomers | consult Canvas |
| **Dec 4** | **term paper due** | consult Canvas |
| Week 10 Nov 30 - Dec 6 | Economy & Cities | consult Canvas |
| **Dec 8**  **Wednesday 5:30 - 7:20** | **Quiz 5 over weeks 9 & 10 materials** | consult Canvas |

\*subject to change

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