

GEOG 198 : FIELD GEOGRAPHY OF CENTRAL OREGON

Transcript title

Field Geography of Central OR

Credits

2

Grading mode

Standard letter grades

Total contact hours

40

Other hours

40

Recommended preparation

WR 121Z.

Course Description

Explore and understand the diverse natural and cultural landscapes of Central Oregon. Travel to locales across the region by van during five full days in this field-based course.

Course learning outcomes

1. Interpret how local landforms fit into regional patterns of the land.
2. Investigate the regional distribution of natural features.
3. Compare how government and non-governmental organizations manage areas for which they are responsible.
4. Give reasons for how the distribution of cultural elements of the area have been influenced by physical geography.

Content outline

1. A sense of place: overview of Central Oregon
2. Hot and dry: the high desert
3. Volcanic landforms (e.g., lava flows, craters, cinder cones)
4. Living among the forest (e.g., La Pine and Sunriver)
5. Going with the flow (e.g., the upper and lower Deschutes basins)
6. Life and industry in small cities (e.g., Redmond, Madras, Prineville)
7. Changes in altitude: the high Cascades
8. Urban growth, recreation, and tourism (e.g., Bend, Sisters)

Required materials

Textbook is required.