

# **Course Description:**

This course introduces students to the systematic study of patterns and processes that have shaped human understanding, use, and alteration of Earth's surface. Students employ spatial concepts and landscape analysis to examine socioeconomic organization and its environmental consequences. They also learn about the methods and tools geographers use in their research and applications. It is often summarized by Human Geography teachers as, "why what is where, and why does it matter?"

## **Academic Suitability:**

Students should be able to read collegelevel texts, think critically, and have a natural interest in Social Studies. The course requires a great deal of stamina and/or self-motivation. The bottom line is students must be willing to do the work.

#### **Out of Class Commitment:**

Students should expect to spend around 4-6 hours per week (depending on the week) outside of class. Students have regularly assigned vocabulary, reading, and practice assignments, in addition to necessary consistent review.

### **Summer Suggested Preparation:**

None

### **School Issued Text Name:**

The Cultural Landscape

#### **Additional Resources:**

 https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/ pdf/ap-human-geography-coursea-glance.pdf?course=ap-humangeography

