

HONOURS THESIS

GEOGRAPHY 4013 – WINTER 2016

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Calendar Description:

Winter Term. Completion of a thesis, based on individual original research, to be submitted by the date posted by the Department of Geography. Attendance at a number of workshops is required. There will be an oral presentation at the end of the term.

Special note: Students in Geography 4011 and 4013 will be expected to bear the costs of any field research required. Restricted to students in the fourth year of an Honours Geography program.

Prerequisites:

A minimum mark of 70% in Geography 4011.

Course Objectives:

The objective of the winter term thesis course is to continue with the work started in the fall term leading to submission of a final draft of an undergraduate thesis.

Course Organization:

The class will function in much the same manner as it did in the fall term. There will be three formal workshops during the regular scheduled class time (Friday afternoons 1:30 to 4:30 in RC-2005) (see schedule below). Each student will also be expected to make a formal presentation of their results. These presentations will be open to the public.

Course Grading / Deadlines:

Thesis Presentation – see below	20%	(April 1 st)
Thesis Draft (written) – see below	0%	(due: Fri, Mar 4 th)
Completed Written Thesis	80%	(due: Fri, April 8 th)
	<u>100%</u>	

A **completed draft** of your thesis is to be submitted to your advisor by Friday, March 4th. This will allow your advisor time to review your work, make suggestions for last-minute changes, and for you to carry out the recommended changes. **Final Oral Presentations** will be scheduled for the afternoon and/or evening of April 1st. Refer to the course manual for details on how oral presentations will be graded.

GEOG 4013 COURSE SCHEDULE (subject to changes)

Week of	Course Meeting (Friday 1:30-4:30)
Jan 11	Jan 15 th : Overview, Progress
Feb 1	Feb 5 th : Writing Skills
Feb 15	STUDY WEEK (Feb 16 – 19, 2016)
Feb 22	Feb 26 th : Oral Presentation Skills
Mar 28	April 1st : Final Oral Presentations (afternoon and/or evening times TBA)

Final Thesis Submission

The completed thesis, ready for binding, must be submitted for marking by **12 NOON on Friday, April 8**. *Deliver personally to your advisor OR to OR to Jennifer McKee. Do not attempt to put in the workbox.*

By this point:

- all chapters have been submitted for comment and revision;
- all tables and figures have been completed and inserted in the thesis, along with the other required components (Abstract, Table of Contents; List of Figures; List of Tables; References);
- all grammatical, spelling and typing errors have been corrected;
- the thesis has been laser printed onto an acceptable grade of paper; and
- proof of pre-payment of binding costs has been submitted (see on-line Thesis Manual, p 5).