INSS 1302: Geography and Security

Schedule of Readings

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Readings


Each week of the course is broken up into two modules (A/B). Each module has its own set of readings, meaning that there are two sets of readings per week. Please ensure that you complete all of the readings for each module/week. Each module consists of a chapter from the principal textbook, *Why Geography Matters*, and many have supplemental readings that are available to download from the course website. The supplemental readings are what you will use to produce your reading journal entries.

Week 1

- **Week 1A**
  - de Blij, Chapter 1
  - Berdichevsky, “The Neglect Of Geography And Its Perils”

- **Week 1BA**
  - de Blij, Chapter 2
  - Map Article, National Geographic,
    [https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/map/12th-grade/](https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/map/12th-grade/)

Week 2

- **Week 2**
  - de Blij, Chapter 3
  - Eberstadt, “With Great Demographics Comes Great Power”
  - Macleod, “Population Paradox”
Week 3

- **Week 3A**
  - de Blij, Chapter 4
  - Hsu, “Politics and Climate Change”
  - McCormick, “Anthropology of an Idea”

- **Week 3B**
  - de Blij, Chapter 5
  - Scott, “The Securitization of Climate Change”
  - Newkirk, “Climate Change is Already Damaging American Democracy”

Week 4

- **Week 4A**
  - de Blij, Chapter 6
  - Gilsinian, “The Geography of Terrorism”

- **Week 4B**
  - de Blij, Chapter 7
  - Knapp, “The Concept and Practice of Jihad”

Week 5

- **Week 5**
  - de Blij, Chapter 8
  - Champion, “Does China Have What It Takes to Be a Superpower?”
  - Englund, “Beijing’s power play in the South China Sea . . .”

Week 6

- **Week 6A**
  - de Blij, Chapter 9
  - Walker, “Europe: Superstate or Superpower?”
  - Atwood, “Geography Factor In War”
• **Week 6B**
  o de Blij, Chapter 10
  o Rywkin, “Russia: In quest of superpower status”
  o Marshall, “Russia and the Curse of Geography”

• **Week 7**
  o de Blij, Chapter 11
  o French, “Why Africa’s Future will Determine the rest of the World’s”

• de Blij, Epilogue