

# Student Evaluations for Mike Ribant Fall 2013

## GEOG 202-3

### 1) What attracted you to take a course in geography?

- Gen ed class.
- Part of recommended coursework
- GIS
- History behind the Geography
- I figured memorizing maps was an easier gen ed course than anything else that will make me write papers.
- Heard from a friend
- After taking 101/102, I became very interested in Geography and declared a minor in the subject.
- Gen ed
- It's a requirement for my major
- Required gen ed for my major and only on day a week
- Other geography class told me about it, fit my schedule
- Gen ed
- Minor
- Gen ed.
- Interested in learning more about world regions.
- To learn about different countries and their history.
- Pre-req.
- Required gen. ed.
- Gen. ed. Requirement
- Academic advisor suggest it for me
- The fact that I can use this matter in my everyday life. Also Mr. Ribant teaching style.
- Interest in geography
- The course attracted me to take it because I was told by a friend I would learn about where places are and culture at the same time.
- I needed it as a gen ed.
- Initially to fulfill a gen ed requirement, but I ended up really enjoying this class.
- Gen ed
- Gen. Ed.
- Had to take as a gen-ed
- I've always liked geography
- Rate my professor rating
- I like geography
- I had never taken a geography class before
- I like it
- Minor in geography
- Heard it was a light workload course and needed social science elective credits.
- Elective course
- Needed course but also enjoyed past experiences with Geog.
- I like it
- The instructor is fun and helpful
- Heard of the teacher and a night class that was challenging and great learning.

- Its required
- I like to travel and want to have prior knowledge of some places.
- I knew I could benefit from it, and it fulfilled a gen. ed. requirement
- Easy concept to grasp
- Interest in regions
- General Education requirements
- I've always had an interest in geography
- It was recommended
- It was required
- Because I'm good at studying maps
- It was required
- I am good as memorizing maps
- Gen ed
- I like to look at the world, and know where I can go in the future.
- Needed it for degree
- B/C of my major

**a. Why this course?**

- It was at night
- It's what the advisor advised.
- Required
- Elective, I just want to graduate.
- It's a gen ed
- Heard it was a fun/easy class
- It is required for the minor
- Easy
- It will help me pass the teacher certification test
- I liked the study guides and how everything was available on blackboard in great time
- Fit my schedule
- Heard good reviews about Ribant
- Looked somewhat interesting.
- Most related to world regions
- It is a gen. ed.
- As a Gen. Ed course
- I heard it was much easier
- Sounded interesting.
- Learning about the other countries
- Want to travel as a businessman. Good idea to learn about every country along with a bit of its culture.
- It is easy
- Mr. Ribant understands the student and knows the subject and how to teach it. Heard good reviews on it.
- I wanted to know where everything is because I'm very into culture diversity.
- It was a night class
- Gen ed. requirement
- I have heard great things about Mr. Ribant so I decided to take this class.

- I am interested to learn about countries and what is going on with the world.
- Requirement
- This course informs us of places around the world.
- Yeah
- It seemed the most helpful, + fulfilled gen. ed. Requirement.
- Out of all the geog. Courses I know I needed to work on my world geog the most.
- Easy A
- Heard it was easy
- Yes
- Suited my schedule
- Took it in high school + I enjoyed it so I figured I would enjoy this class as well
- I like maps
- Instructor had good ratings online
- I like maps
- Said it was interesting
- I heard the teacher was good
- Learn more about the world
- It was mandatory for minors
- I like area geography
- Light workload
- Core requirement
- Gen ed
- Required by major
- I wanted to learn more about other countries and learn where they are
- GEOG 202
- Because I'm great at naming places on a map.
- It fit with my schedule
- It fit my schedule pretty well
- I didn't know anything about other cultures.

**2) What did you like about the organization of the course, the content of the course, or the teaching style of the instructor?**

- Simple easy
- Great organization. Style- fun made the course interesting and applicable to life.
- Straight-forward
- Very well and organized.
- Teacher was laid back, + well taught the important information about the course. Have visited some places and the way he depicted their culture was on point. Considering changing my major due to this class and how the instructor taught the class well.
- Well-organized. Instructor is a great personality and understanding.
- Even though I sat in the way back of the class, he made it very interesting through discussion, videos, jokes, etc.
- He was chill I'd call him one of my homies.
- Well organized overall
- Mr. Ribant is very laid back and open to suggestion. He understands that we are busy students that most of us are just taking this as a gen ed it's very laid back

- Everything was great. All material was presented greatly and enthusiastically. His personal stories and knowledge were great.
- Easy to understand/straight forward
- The teaching style of the instructor.
- Very organized, content is interesting, Prof Ribant is laid-back and easy to follow- makes the content interesting.
- I liked the map quizzes
- Effective teaching, regular quizzes, study guides are good
- It was very planned out, and I knew what was going to happen in class each week.
- He was always prepared + is very knowledgeable. The study guides for tests were exactly what was on the test, it was great.
- It was easy to follow
- It was simple, easy to understand + effective at hitting all the major points
- Once a week
- He was a good guy
- All lectures were organized and instructor is humorous and doesn't make you fall asleep.
- Provided excellent study guides
- Study guides were very helpful
- Loved everything about it. Very organized, easy quizzes
- Straightforward teaching approach. Knew what he was talking about.
- Got to the point, and covered everything that should be covered. Didn't waste any time and taught us about current world events.
- The instructor was very current, kept my interest by discussing meaningful things & areas of study.
- X
- Awesome course
- I liked that I knew what to expect each week. I knew what I needed to do for each class to prepare and the materials needed were easily accessible.
- Easy going teacher and the content was all laid out and very straight forward.
- The material was well organized and the instructor had an excellent knowledge of the material being covered.
- How some nights the class was taught by student debates and the way different third world countries live of these areas.
- That there was a quiz every single week should give days off. The instructor was very good otherwise.
- It was easy to follow and know what to expect
- Professor Ribant is amazing! He keeps the class entertaining and teaches you the material in a way that you won't get bored.
- I really liked it. We covered a lot of info in a short time. We watched the Daily show. I learned a lot.
- The lectures are very informational.
- Well put together course, learned a lot
- Onomatopoeia
- I liked that he was straight and to the point, he didn't dwell on anything that would make the class drag.
- Very mucho good
- Dog

- He just did a great job!
- I like how the instructor was honest.
- He knows what it's like to be a student
- I liked how easy going the class was.
- He showed a lot of interesting maps, Google earths & videos. Teaching style was great. Used a variety of visual images & compared the material to current news which was helpful
- Straight forward + to the point. Able to grasp concepts a lot more
- Map quizzes are fairly simple. A lot of time to prepare.
- Quizzes are easy

**3) Do you have any suggestions on how the instructor might improve the course, or his/her teaching style?**

- Don't change.
- Lecture...
- I can tell that, this course is awesome, and helpful and Mr. Ribant is very good teacher.
- Make things more interesting
- Stop doubting the interest in the subject. You did make it interesting. Didn't fall asleep one! ☺
- More pizza days, maybe treats for A's on quizzed/tests
- It would help if the study guides were available earlier
- None. Enjoyed this class immensely.
- No improvement, just keep doing what you're doing.
- Nope, he was perfect + has a really good teaching style.
- No was taught wonderful and very well organized.
- Hard to correct perfection. Instructor knew what he was doing and is one of the best instructors I have ever had.
- No suggestions
- Stay the same.
- You are awesome
- Nope a great guy and teacher. A+
- Put powerpoint slides up before lecture.
- Maybe if possible if you have an "A" going into final you don't have to take final.
- Excellent class.
- More videos
- cat
- CATS EVERYWHERE [drawing of a cat]
- You do you dude, what you're laying down is working.
- Not one, keep doing you sexy!
- No, he was awesome.
- No. thanks for all the help. Like the numeric devices on study guides, etc.
- None, perfect teaching style for this course, always had my interest.