

# HFTM\*2170 Tourism Policy, Planning and Development (Fall 2015) [0.5 credit]

#### **General Course Information**

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Class Schedule: Mondays, 2:30-5:30 pm, CRSC #101

**Pre-requisites:** GEOG\*1220, HTM\*1000

# **Course Description**

This course focuses on the various aspects of tourism planning, policy, and development. Topics covered include: reasons for development; tourism development as a strategy for urban revitalization; tourism's links to heritage conservation and regional development; sustainability and the adverse impacts of development; cultural considerations and community participation; and the importance of context for individual tourism projects.

# Course Learning Outcomes

Upon successfully completing this course, you will be able to:

#### **Knowledge and Understanding:**

- 1) Demonstrate an understanding of the policy development process (i.e. the means whereby policy problems are defined, resolved and reviewed);
- 2) Demonstrate a comprehensive and critical understanding of the changing policy environment and the ability of stakeholders to shape and influence it;
- 3) Analyze and evaluate the roles of the public and private sectors, NGOs, and professional and trade associations involved in the tourism industry in Canada and worldwide;

# **Discipline/Professional and Transferable Skills:**

- 4) Apply tourism development as a strategy for regional revitalization;
- 5) Display enhanced writing skills through a variety of critical and analytical assignments;

#### **Attitudes and Values:**

6) Show critical appreciation of the principals of sustainability and community involvement as they pertain to tourism

# **Indicative Content**

Please use this space to provide information regarding lecture content. This may be entered as formatted text (bullets, lists) or as a table. Lecture dates are optional.

Additional notes regarding any specialized aspects of course delivery may be included in this section.

### **Course Assessment**

			Associated Learning Outcomes	Due Date/ location
Assessment 1:	15%	Individual Briefing Note	1,5	Oct. 8; dropbox
Assessment 2:	15%	Individual Ecotourism Analysis	4, 5	Oct 20, dropbox
Assessment 3:	20%	4 Short answer quizzes	1,2,3,4	In-class
Assessment 4:	30%	Project	2,3,4,5	Nov. 22; dropbox
Assessment 5:	20%	Participation	1, 2, 3,4	Throughout course
Total	100%			

# **Teaching and Learning Practices**

#### Lectures

Note: Almost every class will start with a discussion of current events. Please bring discussion topics to every class and keep a written record of these to hand in during the last class. These will be a large part of your participation grade.

Week	Topics	Readings
Week 1, Sept 14	Introduction and course overview	
	Defining values, politics and policy	
	Politics of Tourism	
Week 2, Sept 21	Preparing briefing notes  Work through preparation of a briefing note in	Edgell and Swanson, Chap. 1, 2 & 11; Mundt Chap. 3
	class on attending the Summit.	Week 2 Readings in courselink
	Poverty and development choices	
	Video: Tourists <i>HQ117 T687 2004</i>	
Week 3, Sept 28	Global context; Political ideologies	First short answer quiz
		Edgell and Swanson, Chap. 3, 4 & 8;
Week 4, Oct 5	The way government works	Edgell and Swanson, Chap. 5, 7 & 9;
	Who's who and role they play in tourism	Exercise with news stories – different
	Political and foreign policy implications	philosophical positioning
Week 5, Oct 12	Thanksgiving	No class
Week 6, Oct 19	The making of legislation	Second short answer quiz
	Barriers, obstacles and the international policy process	Edgell and Swanson, Chap. 6, 10; Mundt Chap. 1 & 2
Week 7, Oct 26	Stakeholders, models of decision-making and sustainability	Third short answer quiz
	Video: Destination, tourism G155.I4 D47 200	

		Mundt Chap. 4, 5, 8
Week 8, Nov 2	Pros and cons of tourism	
	The problem with all-inclusives	
	Guest speaker: Beth Potter, TIAO	
Week 9, Nov 9	Ontario Tourism Summit	Toronto
Week 10, Nov 16	Corporate social responsibility vs sustainability	Edgell and Swanson, Chap. 12
	Definitional problems	Mundt, Chap 6, 7, 9
	Videos: Goose with the Golden Eggs; The problem with all-inclusives	
Week 11, Nov 23	Tourism and climate change	Fourth short answer quiz
	Video: Concrete coasts G155.A1 C62 2005	
Week 12, Nov 30	Strategic Planning in Tourism	
	Video: Last pockets of paradise <i>G155.A1 L37</i> 2005	
Nov 28	The future of tourism	

#### **Course Resources**

Required Texts (both of these texts are also available from the Course Reserve Desk):

- 1. Edgell, D.L. Sr. & Swanson, J. R. (2013). *Tourism policy and planning: Yesterday, today and tomorrow.* 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Routledge.
- 2. Mundt, J.W. (2011). *Tourism and Sustainable Development: Reconsidering a Concept of Vague Policies*. Erich Schmidt Verlag

#### Other Resources:

Students are expected to read at least one major newspaper daily for developments that impact on the supply or demand of tourism, as well as sign up to at least two listservs that specialize in tourism news. Examples include:

- http://www.eturbonews.com/
- http://www.tourism-review.com/get\_email\_news.php.
- Travelmole (and a whole series of newswires) http://www.travelmole.com/select\_nwire.php?m\_id=\_rmv\_rd~A&mpnlog=1&unsub=3#3
- Bulletin Le Globe Veilleur (in French) http://www.travelmole.com/select\_nwire.php?m\_id=\_rmv\_rd~A&mpnlog=1&unsub=3#3
- Difunet (in Spanish) <a href="http://www.difunet.com/">http://www.difunet.com/</a>
- http://www.greenlodgingnews.com/
- http://www.hotelnewsresource.com/
- http://www.hospitalitynet.org/

Most of these websites also have archives and are searchable, which makes them an excellent resource for some of the assignments.

#### **Field Trips:**

#### **November 9 attendance at the OTMP Tourism Summit in Toronto**

Ontario's Tourism Summit (http://www.ontariotourismsummit.com/tourismsummit) will be held from Nov 9-10. We will attend the Summit on Nov 9. Aside from the opportunity to network with a broad range of industry professionals, you will be able to listen to some very interesting presentations. We will leave the University at 10:30 am and return around 8:00 pm. The cost to students is \$50 + HST. Please advise any other instructors of courses you might miss.

#### **Course Policies**

#### **Grading Policies**

Grading guides for the Briefing Note, the Ecotourism Game and the project are posted on Courselink.

Assignment	Due Date	Format	Value
Briefing Note	October 2	Individual	15%
Ecotourism Game	October 30	Individual	15%
4 short answer quizzes	As per course outline	Individual	20%
Project	November 20	Individual	30%
Participation	November 30	Individual	20%

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Assignments are to be submitted ELECTRONICALLY in Word through the Courselink dropbox as indicated, except for participation. A penalty (5%) per day will apply to late assignments unless accompanied by a medical certificate. Please note that these policies are binding unless academic consideration is given to an individual student. Detailed grading schemes will be posted for these assignments

In order to ensure your academic success, I will agree to re-grade a revised submission reflecting feedback for your first Assignment ONLY. The maximum additional grade will be 3%.

## **Course Policy on Group Work:**

If students choose to do a group project, PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE INSTRUCTOR MUST BE OBTAINED and individual responsibilities for the submitted assignment must be agreed to between the students and the instructor.

#### Course Policy regarding use of electronic devices and recording of lectures

Electronic recording of classes is expressly forbidden without consent of the instructor. When recordings are permitted they are solely for the use of the authorized student and may not be reproduced, or transmitted to others, without the express written consent of the instructor.

# **University Policies**

#### **Academic Consideration**

When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons, please advise the course instructor in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact. See the academic calendar for information on regulations and procedures for Academic Consideration: https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/2015-2016/c08/c08-amisconduct.shtml

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University of Guelph students have the responsibility of abiding by the University's policy on academic misconduct regardless of their location of study; faculty, staff and students have the responsibility of supporting an environment that discourages misconduct. Students need to remain aware that instructors have access to and the right to use electronic and other means of detection. Please note: Whether or not a student intended to commit academic misconduct is not relevant for a finding of guilt. Hurried or careless submission of assignments does not excuse students from responsibility for verifying the academic integrity of their work before submitting it. Students who are in any doubt as to whether an action on their part could be construed as an academic offence should consult with a faculty member or faculty advisor.

The Academic Misconduct Policy is detailed in the Undergraduate Calendar:

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# **Drop date**

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