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 <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> <p>South Texas ISD Virtual Academy GRADES 6-12</p> </div>	
Credits per Semester	.5 credits per semester
Instructor	<p>Instructor: Roel Flores</p> <p>Email: roel.flores@stisd.net Phone: 956.514.4201</p> <p>Conference: Monday-Friday 8:00-8:45 AM</p> <p>Tutorials: M-F 8:45-9:00 AM, 12:30-1:00 PM, 4:05-5:00 PM</p>
Course Description	World Geography - Honors
Learning/Performance Objectives	<p>The learning objectives for this course include all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improving student’s understanding of geography in both a physical and historical context. 2. Giving students the opportunity to express themselves in written form, and to improve writing skills overall. 3. Students will be expected to create multimedia projects and presentations throughout the year. 4. Students will be able to conduct their own research using a variety of resources, including library databases, scholarly articles, documentaries, etc. 5. Students will be given the opportunity to work collaboratively with their peers in order to improve interpersonal skills.
Course Contents	The following table is a brief overview of the material that will be covered in this course.



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Instructional Methods	Lectures, multimedia elements, class discussions, case studies, projects and individual assignments, cooperative learning																						
Attendance	Regular and daily attendance is required for all classes. Every day, log into Canvas and look for any new Announcements or Content. On days that I am out, I will leave an Announcement on Canvas with instructions for the day. You will be expected to complete any work I leave behind for attendance. If you know you will not be able to log in to the course on any given day, please contact me immediately by e-mail. If you encounter technical difficulties, contact the school by phone. Students who continually miss class will be referred to the school administration.																						
Grading Policy	<p>The academic year is divided into four quarters, or 9 -week periods. The weight for each nine-week period will be 37.5 percent and the semester exam will weigh 25 percent. There will be a minimum of 5 grades per student during each three weeks progress report grading period. This course will be comprised of 3 grading categories: Major Assessments 50%, Minor Assessments 30%, and Daily Work 20%.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Major assessments may be in the form of tests, projects, essays and research papers, presentations, or portfolios. 2. Minor assessments may be in the form of quizzes or mini-projects. 																						



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Late work due to absences: Students absent on a day work is due shall receive a due date for the next class meeting. All homework is due at the beginning of the class hour. Assignments submitted electronically are due before the beginning of class time on the scheduled due date. Students who are absent on the day work is assigned will be assigned said work upon their return to class and given the same time frame for completion as originally assigned. Work turned in during this time shall receive full credit.

Late work not due to absences: For all assignments turned in late, 10 points shall be deducted for each day an assignment is late with the maximum penalty not exceeding 50 points.