

COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE OUTLINE

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A. Identification:

1. Subject Area: Colorado Plateau Studies
2. Course Number: CPS 290
3. Course Title: Colorado Plateau Studies Seminar
4. Credit Hrs: 3
5. Catalog Description:

Colorado Plateau Studies Seminar is the capstone course for the Colorado Plateau Studies program. Topics will include historical and contemporary issues pertaining to the Colorado Plateau region with the intention of establishing a sense of stewardship in students. Prerequisites: ANT 230, CPS 100, ENG 220, and GLG 232, or consent of instructor. Three lecture.

B. Course Goals:

Colorado Plateau Studies Seminar will be the capstone course for the Colorado Plateau Studies program. As such it will serve as a vehicle for reflection and synthesis of the wide variety of topics that students will have covered throughout the course of the program. It will bring these topics into a contemporary focus with the intention of establishing a sense of stewardship for the region in students.

C. Course Outcomes:

Students will:

1. Synthesize their knowledge of the geography, peoples and culture of the Colorado Plateau region as demonstrated through discussion and written assignments
2. Analyze and discuss historical and contemporary literature that addresses important human and environmental issues that affect and define our perceptions of the Colorado Plateau region
3. Evaluate pre-historic and historical patterns of settlement and culture while examining contemporary issues affecting environmental and human well being.
4. Evaluate and describe issues and policies controlling the regional economy of the Colorado Plateau
5. Discuss the concept of stewardship and how it is implemented on personal, local and regional levels
6. Postulate future issues that will have a significant impact on the region

D. Course Content:

Will include:

1. Review of the human and physical geography of the Colorado Plateau region
2. Review of important literature pertaining to the Colorado Plateau region

3. Patterns of human interaction with the environment of the Colorado Plateau
4. Future issues in resource use and management
5. The role of recreation in the regional economy and land management practices
6. Government and non-governmental agencies and regional stewardship
7. Service learning and /or research projects