



**Tentative schedule and topics for discussion. Minor changes are possible.**

Week\ Date	Topics	Homework	Reading
1\9.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classroom logistics</li> <li>Intro to physical geography</li> </ul>	ROM Walk Assignment - 1 Out	Text Ch. 1
2\9.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intro to mapping</li> <li>Energy-atmosphere</li> </ul>	Audio Book Report Assignment - 2 Out	Text Ch. 2 Text Ch. 3
3\9.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Classes Cancelled</b></li> </ul>	Independent time to work on assignments	
4\9.24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Energy Balance</li> <li><i>Special Topic I: Ice Storms</i></li> </ul>		Text Ch. 4 Article I
5\10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global temperature</li> <li>Atmos. &amp; ocean circulation</li> </ul>	Audio Book Report Assignment - 2 <b>Due 10.1</b>	Text Ch. 5 Text Ch. 6
6\10.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water &amp; atmos. moisture</li> <li>Weather</li> </ul>	ROM Walk Assignment - 1 <b>Due 10.10</b>	Text Ch. 7 Text Ch. 8
7\10.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water resources</li> <li><b>Midterm Exam (Friday)</b></li> </ul>	Cloud Hunter Assignment - 3 Out	Text Ch. 9
8\10.22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earth structure &amp; tectonics</li> <li>Earthquakes &amp; volcanism</li> </ul>		Text Ch. 11 Text Ch. 12
9\10.29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weathering</li> <li>Special Topic II: Soil Erosion</li> </ul>	CBC Radio Assignment - 4 Out	Text Ch. 13 Article II
10\11.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>River Systems</li> </ul>		Text Ch. 14
11\11.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oceans and coastal processes</li> </ul>	Cloud Hunter Assignment - 3 <b>Due 11.12</b>	Text Ch. 16
12\11.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soils</li> </ul>		Text Ch. 18
13\11.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urban Ecosystems</li> </ul>	CBC Radio Assignment - 4 <b>Due 11.26</b>	Text Ch. 19
13\12.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exam Review</li> </ul>		

**Final Exam: Date and Time TBA**

Component	Grade (%)	Grading Scale
Assignments (4) (10% each)	40	<b>A+</b> (90 or greater); <b>A</b> (85-90); <b>A-</b> (80-84);
Mid-Term Exam	25	<b>B+</b> (77-79); <b>B</b> (73-76); <b>B-</b> (70-72); <b>C+</b> (67-69);
Final Exam	35	<b>C</b> (63-66); <b>C-</b> (60-62); <b>D+</b> (57-59); <b>D</b> (53-56);
<b>Total</b>	100	<b>D-</b> (50-52); <b>F</b> (less than 50)

**Examinations:** The mid-term and final exam will be cumulative. The format of each examination will include objective questions, diagrams, and short essays. There will be no make-up examination without official documentation of reason for absence.

**Homework Assignments:** Four (4) unique homework assignments have been designed to enhance your understanding of the materials covered in lecture. You will have several weeks to complete each assignment. I will expect them to be written-up in a professional manner (a discussion of expectations will be presented on the day the assignment is passed out). Late homework assignments will receive a deduction of 5% per day. **Plagiarism will not be tolerated!**

Should you need assistance with your assignments, please visit me during my office hours or schedule an appointment.

**General Advice:**

- Consult *Blackboard* regularly (<http://my.ryerson.ca>)
- Attend all lectures; lectures will not be placed on *Blackboard* in advance of class