

Review Terms From Midterm #2 to the End of the Course

Please ensure you can define, discuss, and draw diagrams relevant to the following terms and ideas that we covered in class and in the readings for these modules.

Week 11: Group Work Week

No new concepts for this week. This week you will be writing mid-term exam #2 (Tuesday) and have an opportunity to make progress on your group work (Thursday).

Week 12: The Pacific Coast and the Southwest

The Situation and Challenges in Phoenix

The Meaning of “Southwest”

The Political Geography of California

Should California be divided in multiple states?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of big and small states?

Southwest Physical Geography

Water shortages

Vast distances

Southwest Culture

American Indians, Hispanic Americans, Anglo Americans

Reservations and American Indians

Acculturation

Southwest Economy

Vast divide between the affluent and the poor

Southwest Border

Maquiladoras

Week 13: The Pacific Coast and Northlands / Presentations

Vancouver, British Columbia

Population Contrasts

Seattle-Vancouver Region vs. the rest of the Pacific Northwest

Urban Land Values

Waterfront Redevelopment

Creative Destruction

Resource Contrasts

A region rich in resources, but far from markets

The Northlands

Basic Issues and Characteristics

Video Case Study: The Cold Reality of Canada's Northern Communities

Week 14: Geographic Literacy

Albuquerque, New Mexico: The Challenge of Being "New Mexico"

What were the major findings from the geographic literacy polls discussed in class?

What do these findings mean for the US? Should we be concerned? What can we do?