

**Common Course Outline**  
**GEOG 131**  
**Historical Geography of Maryland**  
**3 Semester Hours**

**The Community College of Baltimore County**

**Description**

Historical Geography of Maryland

Studies the physical and cultural environments in Maryland and their effect on the population, both historically and currently, through a survey emphasizing topography, climate, economy, and social characteristics of the state.

Prerequisite: (ENGL 052 or LVE 2) and (RDNG 052 or LVR 2)

**Overall Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- I. Identify, given a map of Maryland, all of the counties and major cities in the state of Maryland
- II. Outline the historical evolution of the state since its inception
- III. Identify, and describe, the major physical features of the state of Maryland
- IV. Identify, and describe the cultural composition and cultural evolution of the population of Maryland
- V. Describe the climate of Maryland
- VI. Describe the economic evolution of the state of Maryland and describe the current economic development of the state
- VII. Describe the role that the Chesapeake Bay plays in the physical, economic, and social development of the state of Maryland
- VIII. Identify the major environmental problems in the state of Maryland
- IX. Describe the inter-connections (economic, political, etc.) between Maryland and the surrounding states
- X. The Urban Centers: Problems and Possibilities

**Major Topics**

- I. Maryland: Organization and Structure
- II. Historical Evolution and Change in Maryland
- III. The Physical Geography of Maryland
- IV. The Cultural Geography of Maryland
- V. The Economic Geography of Maryland

**Course Requirements** (List only those requirements that will be common to all sections of the course.)

Grading/exams: Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include the following:

- I. Exams
- II. Quizzes
- III. Map Quizzes
- IV. Projects/Presentations

Writing: The individual faculty member will determine specific writing assignments.

**Other Course Information**

This course is a \_\_\_\_\_ core course and a \_\_\_\_\_ elective.

This course is taught in a computerized environment.

This course is the first course in a required two-course sequence.

Individual faculty members may include additional course objectives, major topics, and other course requirements to the minimum expectations stated in the Common Course Outline.

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