

# Not Ignorant World

## XIDS-2002

Fall 2020 Section LJ5 2 Credits 08/12/2020 to 12/05/2020 Modified 10/10/2020

XIDS 2002, "How not to be ignorant about the world," focuses on building students' global knowledge base and giving the students the practical tools and techniques to approach global issues. The topics in this course range from exploring the role of esports in sports entertainment to learning about life expectancy around the World. The various teaching methods are used, such as in-class discussion, in-class and virtual lectures, social media, and small group discussions. Students are required to attend all in-class and virtual classes and to interact with their instructor and classmates.

## Description

Selected topics and themes posing a question addressed using the tools and assumptions of a variety of disciplines.

### Requisites

Prerequisites:

Corequisites:

## Contact Information

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### Office Hours

Wednesdays

Wednesday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Miller Hall, Marketing&Real Estate

Please make an appointment via phone or email

Monday, Friday, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Virtual

Via GoogleMeet, GotoMeeting, phone

## Meeting Times

### In-class session

Wednesdays at 8.00-9.40am

TLC1203 or virtual meeting

See the Announcements and schedule

## Materials

## Outcomes

As a result of participating in this course, students should be able to:

1. Adapt written and oral communication to specific rhetorical purposes and audiences.
2. Recognize and begin to implement the skills necessary to become life-long, active learners through the exploration of an academic topic that focuses on a contemporary and/or enduring topic, question, or problem.
3. identify, evaluate, and use information appropriate to a specific purpose.

## Evaluation

### Criteria

Assignment	Points	Due Date	Method of Submission
<p><b>Weekly participation</b></p> <p><i>Option 1 in-class/virtual:</i></p> <p>We have both in-class and virtual meetings, and you can miss one of them. You will receive 5 points/class (14 sessions total, you can miss two sessions without penalty).</p> <p><b>Criteria:</b> You attend the in-class/virtual sessions and participate in the discussion. Attendance will be taken in every class.</p> <p><i>Option 2 online:</i></p> <p>You will study the material at your own pace and complete the weekly quiz (14) on CourseDen starting week 3. The material (lecture notes, videos, articles) will be provided for you in the weekly module (such as week 3, week 4). The quizzes are open Thu-Sun. Each quiz you can earn 0-5 points.</p>	0-70		<p>In-class and virtual sessions</p> <p>or</p> <p>CourseDen</p>
<p><b>Final essay</b></p> <p>You will write a 3-page essay about your learning in this course and your first semester in UWG. The guidelines are given in class and CourseDen.</p>	0-10		CourseDen
<p><b>XIDS 2002 Lab Assignments (in CourseDen)</b></p> <p><b>Criteria:</b> Details for successful completion are located on the CourseDen.</p> <p>The link to the learning lab:  <a href="https://westga.view.usg.edu/d2l/home/2053962">https://westga.view.usg.edu/d2l/home/2053962</a></p>	0-20	See the schedule	CourseDen

<b>Total Points</b>	<b>0-100</b>		

## Breakdown

Grade	Range	Notes
A	90 - 100	
B	80-89	
C	70-79	
F	Less than 70	

## Assignments

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## Schedule

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### COURSE SCHEDULE

Option 1 in-class/virtual option (some weeks will be virtual)

Option 2 online (study at your own pace and complete quizzes on CourseDen)

Week #	Dates	Topic	Option 1	Option 2
			In-class/virtual	Online via CourseDen
1	12-Aug	Introduction and orientation to the course	A map quiz	syllabus quiz
2	Aug 17-21	US trade & FDI in around the World		Quiz 1 (practice quiz)
3	Aug 24-28	Indexes of the World and key figures	Discussion	Quiz w3

4	Aug 31-Sep4	<i>Virtual meeting,</i> FYS module: Mindset, due 9/4, at 11:59PM <i>(everyone completes via CourseDen)</i>	Discussion	Quiz w4
5	Sep 8-11	Currencies around the world	Discussion	Quiz w5
6	Sep 14-18	<i>Virtual meeting:</i> Global supply chains	Discussion	Quiz w6
7	Sep 21-25	<i>Virtual meeting,</i> FYS module: Advising, due 4/24, at 11:59PM <i>(everyone completes via CourseDen)</i>	Discussion	Quiz w7
8	Sep 28-Oct 2	Esports and gaming	Discussion	Quiz w8
9	Oct 5-9	Mystery topic 1	Discussion	Quiz w9
10	Oct 12-16	Writing Center presentation, guest speaker	Discussion	Quiz w10
11	Oct 19-23	Case Foxconn	Discussion, drafting the case report	Quiz w11
12	Oct 26-30	<i>Virtual meeting</i> FYS module: Career Reflection, due 10/30, at 11:59PM <i>(everyone completes via CourseDen)</i>	Discussion	Quiz w12
13	Nov 2-6	Mystery topic 2	Discussion	Quiz w13
14	Nov 9-13	Covid around the world	Discussion	Quiz w14
15	Nov 16-20	<i>Virtual meeting</i> FYS module: Study skills and Mindset 2, due 11/20, at 11:59PM <i>(everyone completes via CourseDen)</i>	Discussion	Quiz w15
16	Nov 23-25	<i>Virtual meeting</i> Preparing for the final essay and the current topic		Quiz w16
17	Nov30-Dec 5	<i>Final exam week</i>	Final essay	Final essay

# \* Course Policies and Resources

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## Institutional Policies

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### Academic Support

**Accessibility Services:** Students with a documented disability may work with UWG Accessibility Services to receive essential services specific to their disability. All entitlements to accommodations are based on documentation and USG Board of Regents standards. If a student needs course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability or chronic illness, or if he/she needs to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, the student should notify his/her instructor in writing and provide a copy of his/her Student Accommodations Report (SAR), which is available only from Accessibility Services. Faculty cannot offer accommodations without timely receipt of the SAR; further, no retroactive accommodations will be given. For more information, please contact [Accessibility Services \(https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/accessibility-services.php\)](https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/accessibility-services.php).

**Center for Academic Success:** The [Center for Academic Success \(http://www.westga.edu/cas/\)](http://www.westga.edu/cas/) provides services, programs, and opportunities to help all undergraduate students succeed academically. For more information, contact them: 678-839-6280 or [cas@westga.edu](mailto:cas@westga.edu).

**University Writing Center:** The [University Writing Center \(https://www.westga.edu/writing/\)](https://www.westga.edu/writing/) assists students with all areas of the writing process. For more information, contact them: 678-839-6513 or [writing@westga.edu](mailto:writing@westga.edu).

### Online Courses

UWG takes students' privacy concerns seriously: technology-enhanced and partially and fully online courses use sites and entities beyond UWG and students have the right to know the privacy policies of these entities. For more information on privacy and accessibility for the most commonly used sites, as well as technology requirements visit the [UWG Online \(https://uwgonline.westga.edu/\)](https://uwgonline.westga.edu/) site.

Students enrolled in online courses can find answers to many of their questions in the [Online/Off-Campus Student Guide \(http://uwgonline.westga.edu/online-student-guide.php\)](http://uwgonline.westga.edu/online-student-guide.php).

If a student is experiencing distress and needs help, please see the resources available at the [UWG Cares \(http://www.westga.edu/UWGCares/\)](http://www.westga.edu/UWGCares/) site. [Online counseling \(https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/index.php\)](https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/index.php) is also available for online students.

### Honor Code

At the University of West Georgia, we believe that academic and personal integrity are based upon honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Students at West Georgia assume responsibility for upholding the honor code. West Georgia students pledge to refrain from engaging in acts that do not maintain academic and personal integrity. These include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, aid of academic dishonesty, lying, bribery or threats, and stealing.

The University of West Georgia maintains and monitors a confidential Academic Dishonesty Tracking System. This database collects and reports patterns of repeated student violations across all the Colleges, the Ingram Library, and the School of Nursing. Each incidence of academic dishonesty is subject to review and consideration by the instructor, and is subject to a range of academic penalties including, but not limited to, failing the assignment and/or failing the course. Student conduct sanctions range from verbal warning to suspension or expulsion depending on the magnitude of the offense and/or number of offenses. The incident becomes part of the student's conduct record at UWG.

Additionally, the student is responsible for safeguarding his/her computer account. The student's account and network connection are for his/her individual use. A computer account is to be used only by the person to whom it has been issued. The student is responsible for all actions originating through his/her account or network connection. Students must not impersonate others or misrepresent or conceal their identities in electronic messages and actions. For more information on the University of

West Georgia Honor Code, please see the [Student Handbook \(https://www.westga.edu/administration/vpsa/handbook-code-of-conduct.php\)](https://www.westga.edu/administration/vpsa/handbook-code-of-conduct.php).

## UWG Email Policy

University of West Georgia students are provided a MyUWG e-mail account. The University considers this account to be an official means of communication between the University and the student. The purpose of the official use of the student e-mail account is to provide an effective means of communicating important university related information to UWG students in a timely manner. It is the student's responsibility to check his or her email.

## Credit Hour Policy

The University of West Georgia grants one semester hour of credit for work equivalent to a minimum of one hour (50 minutes) of in-class or other direct faculty instruction AND two hours of student work outside of class per week for approximately fifteen weeks. For each course, the course syllabus will document the amount of in-class (or other direct faculty instruction) and out-of-class work required to earn the credit hour(s) assigned to the course. Out-of-class work will include all forms of credit-bearing activity, including but not limited to assignments, readings, observations, and musical practice. Where available, the university grants academic credit for students who verify via competency-based testing, that they have accomplished the learning outcomes associated with a course that would normally meet the requirements outlined above (e.g. AP credit, CLEP, and departmental exams).

## HB 280 (Campus Carry)

UWG follows University System of Georgia (USG) guidance: [http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional\\_information#](http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional_information#) ([http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional\\_information](http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional_information))

You may also visit our website for help with USG Guidance: <https://www.westga.edu/police/campus-carry.php> (<https://www.westga.edu/police/campus-carry.php>)

## Mental Health Support

If you or another student find that you are experiencing a mental health issue, free confidential services are available on campus in the [Counseling Center](#). Students who have experienced sexual or domestic violence may receive confidential medical and advocacy services with the Patient Advocates in [Health Services](#). To report a concern anonymously, please go to [UWGcares](#).

## ELL Resources

If you are a student having difficulty with English language skills, and / or U.S. culture is not your home culture, specialized resources are available to help you succeed. Please visit the [E.L.L. resource page](#) for more information.

## COVID-19

**Proctored Exams/Online Instruction:** Students should be aware and plan ahead for the possibility of having to complete all courses and/or exams online or in a proctored environment. This means talking with your instructors about what minimum technical requirements (software and hardware) will be required should your class move online or a student's personal needs dictate. This also includes making plans for internet access at whatever location participation may occur.

Virtual or in-person proctored exams, if your instructor should require them, may result in an additional cost to the student. Please discuss these details with your instructor or see the information provided here.

**Face Coverings:** Effective July 15, 2020, University System of Georgia institutions, including the University of West Georgia, will require all faculty, staff, students, and visitors to wear an appropriate face covering while inside campus facilities/buildings where six feet social distancing may not always be possible. Face covering use will be in addition to and is not a substitute for social distancing.

Face coverings are not required in campus outdoor settings where social distancing requirements are met. Anyone not using a face covering when required will be asked to wear one or must leave the area.

Reasonable accommodations may be made for those who are unable to wear a face covering for documented health reasons.

Student FAQs: For more information about UWG COVID-19 guidance for students visit the [Student FAQ webpage](https://www.westga.edu/student-services/health/coronavirus-info/return-to-campus/students-faq-return-to-campus.php) (<https://www.westga.edu/student-services/health/coronavirus-info/return-to-campus/students-faq-return-to-campus.php>).

## Additional Items

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