

GEOL 308 Country Project Written Assignment Evaluation Form

Name: _____ Country: _____

1) Background information about your country (5 points)

	Strong motivation for study: why do we care? Connection to local issues is a good place to
	Location of Country, demographics - population, poverty, life expectancy etc., cities
	Political situation – how does it impact your country’s ability to handle natural disasters?
	economy - industry & agriculture
	City planning, building codes

2) Hazards overview (15 points)

	Plate tectonic setting
	Identification of primary natural hazard(s)
	Scientific Explanation of natural hazard(s)
	Vulnerability, planning and response.
	Summary of Risk (what hazards your country is exposed to and which are the most problematic in terms of frequency and/or potential exposure, where are populations centers located relative to hazards).

3) Case study of one or two significant historic natural disasters that have impacted your country (20 points)

	Explanation of natural disaster (what was previously known? scientific background/explanation of event)
	What happened?
	What were the short and long term impacts?
	Was the event unique or is it likely to occur again in the future?
	What has been done (if anything) to reduce the impact of future similar events (local, national, international efforts)

4) Mitigation/Recommendations (25 points)

	How does your country deal with its natural hazards?
	What mitigation efforts have been institutionalized? What are barriers to mitigation?
	What are your recommendations to your country to reduce risk for its
	Feasibility of implementation of these recommendations. Draw from class material.

5) Quality of Report (25 points)

	Clarity/Logical argument
	Motivation of problem
	Use of figures/graphics
	Feasibility of recommendations
	Appropriate citations/references
	Spelling and grammar

6) Similarities and differences between your region/country and the west coast of the US in terms of risk and mitigation issues. (5 points)

7) Reference list, work cited (5 points)

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Total: /100